KNTV/NBC Bay Area

Quarterly Issues/Programs Report Third Quarter 2010 July2010-September 2010

KNTV/NBC BAY AREA is responsive to the principal issues arising in its community through regularly scheduled public affaires programming, newscasts, public service announcements as well as documentaries and specials. The following is a list of some of the programs that have provided the station's most significant treatment of community issues during the preceding three-month period.

Business & Industry, Employment

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/1/2010 REPORTED...

THE GOVERNOR IS TARGETING STATE WORKERS IN HIS LATEST EFFORT TO FORCE A BUDGET DEAL. HE ANNOUNCED TODAY HE IS CUTTING THE PAY OF MOST STATE WORKERS TO MINIMUM WAGE... THAT'S 7 DOLLARS AND 25 CENTS AN HOUR. THERE ARE 240-THOUSAND STATE WORKERS -- AND 37-THOUSAND WILL BE EXEMPT FROM THE GOVERNOR'S ORDER...MANAGERS AND OTHERS WHO DON'T GET OVERTIME WILL EARN 455 A WEEK UNTIL A BUDGET DEAL IS COMPLETED. THE STATE CONTROLLER IS IN CHARGE OF ISSUING THE CHECKS AND SAYS HE WILL NOT COMPLY.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/2/2010 REPORTED...

ANOTHER MONTH AND ANOTHER LACKLUSTER JOBS REPORT. THE JOBLESS RATE FELL TO 9-point-5 PERCENT IN JUNE. THAT'S DOWN FROM 9-point-7 MAY.. BUT THAT'S MOSTLY BECAUSE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF AMERICANS GAVE UP LOOKING FOR A JOB.. AND WERE NO LONGER COUNTED AS UNEMPLOYED. THE PRIVATE SECTOR ADDED JUST 83-THOUSAND JOBS FOR THE MONTH, WHICH GOVERNMENT EXPERTS SUGGEST IS YET ANOTHER SIGN THE RECOVERY IS STILL HAVING TROUBLE GAINING TRACTION.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/13/2010 REPORTED...

THE OAKLAND POLICE UNION AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL WENT BACK AND FORTH ALL DAY TODAY AND 30 MINUTES BEFORE THE SET DEADLINE...THERE WAS NO DEAL TO SAVE 80 POLICE OFFICER JOBS. THE CITY AND THE UNION MADE A PROMISE TO ONE ANOTHER NOT TO NEGOTIATE THROUGH THE MEDIA...BUT LATE TODAY, BRUNNER GAVE US A FEW DETAILS ON WHAT THE UNION REJECTED.THE CITY WANTED POLICE TO PAY FOUR PERCENT TOWARD THEIR PENSION FUND...THIS YEAR...AN ADDITIONAL 3 % IN JULY 2011 AND AN ADDITIONAL TWO PERCENT IN JANUARY 2013.GUARANTEE OF NO LAY OFFS OF ANY CURRENT POLICE OFFICERS THROUGH JUNE 2011...THAT WAS NOT ENOUGH FOR THE POLICE UNION...MEANWHILE, HOURS BEFORE THE ANNOUNCEMENT, YOUNG OFFICERS WITH PINK SLIPS IN HAND...STARTED THE LAYOFF PROCESS. SOME TURNED IN THEIR BADGES AND WEAPONS....OTHERS JUST THEIR PAPERWORK.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/16/2010 REPORTED...

NEW NUMBERS OUT TONIGHT SHOW CALIFORNIA'S UMEMPLOYMENT RATE DROPPED LAST MONTH -- BUT A HUGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE REMAIN JOBLESS. THE NEW UMEMPLOYMENT RATE IS 12-POINT-THREE PERCENT... DOWN A TENTH OF A PERCENT. HOWEVER, THE STATE LOST 27-THOUSAND-600 JOBS ACCORDING TO THE CALIFORNIA EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT. TEN-THOUSAND-300 OF THOSE WERE IN THE BAY AREA. A TOTAL OF ABOUT TWO-AND-A-QUARTER MILLION CALIFORNIANS WERE WITHOUT WORK IN JUNE. THAT'S LIKE EVERYONE IN SAN JOSE, SAN FRANCISCO AND OAKLAND LOOKING FOR WORK AT THE SAME TIME.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/19/2010 REPORTED...

PRESIDENT OBAMA WANTED TO PUT A FACE ON THE DESPERATION OF THE UNEMPLOYED --- THREE FACES IN FACT.OBAMA DESCRIBED HIS GUESTS AS MIDDLE CLASS AMERICANS, AND SAID THEY SHOULDN'T BE USED AS HOSTAGES BY SENATE REPUBLICANS WHO HAVE BEEN HOLDING UP AN EXTENSION OF UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS. ELIGIBLE FOR EXTENDED BENEFITS UNITED STATES 2,500,000

CALIFORNIA 268,000 THEY'VE NEEDED HELP SINCE MAY, WHEN BENEFITS EXPIRED FOR TWO AND A HALF MILLION AMERICANS. THAT NUMBER INCLUDES 268 THOUSAND CALIFORNIANS. BENEFITS EXHAUSTED CALIFORNIA 147,000 ANOTHER 147 THOUSAND WORKERS IN THE STATE HAVE EXHAUSTED THEIR 99 WEEK MAXIMUMS AND WON'T BE HELPED BY AN EXTENSION. AND AS THINGS STAND, THERE ARE FEW SIGNS OF AN IMPROVING JOB MARKET.SAN FRANCISCO UNEMPLOYMENT 9.6 % FOR EXAMPLE, SAN FRANCISCO'S UNEMPLOYMENT RATE HAS NEARLY DOUBLED TO 9.6 PERCENT SINCE THE FINANCIAL CRISIS BEGAN NEARLY TWO YEARS AGO. SOME 43 THOUSAND SAN FRANCISCANS ARE LOOKING FOR WORK. PRESIDENT OBAMA SAYS THEY NEED ASSISTANCE. A NEW EXTENSION OF BENEFITS WILL COST THE GOVERNMENT 34 BILLION DOLLARS. REPUBLICANS SAY THE TREASURY DOESN'T HAVE IT. ANOTHER 147 THOUSAND WORKERS IN THE STATE HAVE EXHAUSTED THEIR 99 WEEK MAXIMUMS AND WON'T BE HELPED BY AN

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/26/2010 REPORTED...

TOM, WITH APOLOGIES TO THIN LIZZY... TONIGHT, THERE'S GONNA BE A JAILBREAK...

THANKS TO A DECISION HANDED DOWN TODAY FROM THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS' COPYRIGHT OFFICE, I-PHONE USERS WHO WANT TO USE SOFTWARE NOT APPROVED BY APPLE CAN NOW DO IT WITHOUT FEARING LEGAL REPERCUSSIONS. THE RULING SAYS *IT IS LEGAL* TO BYPASS CONTROLS TO ALLOW SO-CALLED JAILBREAKING OF I-PHONES AND OTHER DEVICES. APPLE HAD SAID IT COULD CONTROL IT'S SYSTEMS, BUT THE NEW RULING SAYS USERS CAN CUSTOMIZE THEIR PHONES AS THEY SEE FIT.

Consumer Issues

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/2/2010 REPORTED...

ANCHOR, THIS PHONE HAS HAD TROUBLE WITH BARS SINCE BEFORE IT WAS RELEASED...TODAY, APPLE ADDRESSING COMPLAINTS ABOUT RECEPTION ON THE IPHONE "4." APPLE IS CALLING IT A SOFTWARE PROBLEM...THE COMPANY SAYS IT WILL HAVE A SOFTWARE "FIX" READY IN A FEW DAYS...TO MAKE THE 'BARS' ON YOUR PHONE ACCURATELY REPRESENT THE STRENGTH OF YOUR SIGNAL...ALONG THE SAME LINES, CONSUMER REPORTS PUBLISHED A BLOG THIS AFTERNOON, SAYING BARS OR NOT, THE IPHONE'S RECEPTION IS FINE, ACCORDING TO ITS TESTS...

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/13/2010 REPORTED...

THERE'S ANOTHER RECALL TONIGHT OF CHILDREN'S JEWELRY MADE WITH THE TOXIC METAL, CADMIUM.19-DIFFERENT STYLES OF NECKLACES, BRACELETS, AND EARRINGS SOLD AT THE "JUSTICE STORES" AND "THE LIMITED, TOO" HAVE BEEN VOLUNTARILY RECALLED. THEY'RE MADE IN THE SHAPES OF HEARTS, BUTTERFLIES, CUPCAKES, PEACE SIGNS AND CROWNS-- SOME SAYING "BEST FRIENDS FOREVER." THEY WERE SOLD STARTING IN NOVEMBER OF 2008 THROUGH FEBRUARY OF THIS YEAR. THEY'RE THE LATEST IN A SERIES OF RECALLS INVOLVING THE TOXIC METAL, CADMIUM.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/14/2010 REPORTED...

THERE'S ANOTHER RECALL OF DROPSIDE CRIBS TONIGHT. THE CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION ANNOUNCED THE VOLUNTARY RECALL OF -ALL- DROP-SIDE CRIBS FROM "POTTERY BARN KIDS." THAT'S ABOUT 82-THOUSAND CRIBS, COVERING ALL VARIOUS MODELS. THE DROP-SIDE RAIL CAN DETACH, CAUSING THE RISK OF SUFFOCATION OR ENTRAPMENT TO YOUNG CHILDREN. POTTERY BARK KIDS IS OFFERING FREE KITS TO FIX THE DROP-SIDE RAIL.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/26/2010 REPORTED...

NISSAN IS ISSUING A VOLUNTARY RECALL OF ITS CUBE HATCHBACK TODAY BECAUSE IT COULD LEAK FUEL DURING A COLLISION. THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION SAYS TESTS FOUND MORE FUEL SPILLED DURING A REAR-END COLLISION THAN ALLOWED BY FEDERAL STANDARDS. NISSAN SAYS ITS OWN TESTS DID NOT SHOW ANY LEAKAGE, BUT IT WILL RECALL THE CARS. 2009 AND 2010 CUBE MODELS ARE BEING RECALLED. NISSAN WILL CONTACT AFFECTED OWNERS ON AUGUST 30TH.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/28/2010 REPORTED...

A-C TRANSIT RIDERS COULD FACE DRASTIC NEW CUTS-- INCLUDING NO WEEKEND SERVICE. THE AGENCY ISSUED THAT DIRE WARNING-- AS IT TRIES TO DIG OUT OF AN ESTIMATED 56 *MILLION* DOLLAR DEFICIT. THE AGENCY WANTS ITS LARGEST UNION, WHICH REPRESENTS ITS BUS DRIVERS AND MECHANICS, TO MAKE 15 MILLION DOLLARS IN LABOR CONCESSIONS. THE A-T-U BALKED AT THAT, AND WHEN NEGOTIATIONS BROKE DOWN THE AGENCY'S BOARD IMPOSED NEW WORK RULES-- WHICH A JUDGE UPHELD TEMPORARILY. LAST WEEK, AT LEAST 180 DRIVERS CALLED IN SICK EVERY DAY-- WHICH IS TWICE THE USUAL NUMBER.ON FRIDAY-- THE COURT IS SCHEDULED TO REVIEW THE UNION'S CHALLENGE TO OVERTURN THE CONTRACT.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/29/2010 REPORTED...

THIS TIME IT'S STEERING PROBLEMS. 412-THOUSAND CARS -- MOSTLY AVALONS -- ARE BEING RECALLED IN THE U-S, AND ANOTHER 16-THOUSAND ARE BEING RECALLED IN JAPAN. THE MODEL YEARS ARE FROM 2000 TO 2004 AND THEY HAVE A STEERING LOCK PROBLEM, WHICH COULD LEAD TO A CRASH. SO FAR, NO INJURIES HAVE BEEN REPORTED. TOYOTA IS ALSO RECALLING ANOTHER 39-THOUSAND LEXUS "LX-470" MODELS FOR THE 2003 TO 2007 MODEL YEARS BECAUSE OF A DIFFERENT STEERING PROBLEM. CUSTOMERS JUST NEED TO TAKE THEIR CARS IN FOR A NEW PART.

Children, Youth, Family, Elderly, Men & Women

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/2/2010 REPORTED..

A FAIR RIDE THAT INJURED SEVEN PEOPLE AT THE ALAMEDA COUNTY FAIR IS BACK UP AND RUNNING AGAIN.INVESTIGATORS SAY A CHAIN BROKE ON THE "WACKY WORM" RIDE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON... AND PIECES HIT SEVERAL RIDERS... INCLUDING FIVE CHILDREN. ONE ADULT AND ONE CHILD WERE SENT TO THE HOSPITAL FOR MINOR INJURIES... THE OTHER INJURED RIDERS WERE TREATED FOR CUTS AND BRUISES ON SCENE. THE FAIR'S MARKETING DIRECTOR SAYS INSPECTORS CHECK ALL OF THE 70 RIDES DAILY.A DIFFERENT "WACKY WORM" RIDE, AT THE SONOMA-MARIN FAIR, SEVERED A WORKER'S LEG LAST WEEK.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/4/2010 REPORTED...

AN EAST BAY MOTHER HAD NEIGHBORS LACING UP THEIR SHOES TO TRY TO HELP RAISE AWARENESS FOR A MYSTERIOUS CONDITION THAT KILLED HER DAUGHTER.

DOZENS OF PEOPLE HIT THE STREETS OF ORINDA ... FOR "HALEY'S RUN FOR A REASON".. AND THERE WAS ALSO A SILENT AUCTION. 21-MONTH OLD HALEY TOM DIED IN HER SLEEP IN MAY OF 2000. HER DEATH IS BLAMED ON SUD-C , SUDDEN UNEXPLAINED DEATH IN CHILDREN ... A CONDITION SIMILAR TO SUDDEN "INFANT" DEATH SYNDROME, BUT IT HITS OLDER CHILDREN. S-U-D-C IS BELIEVED TO BE VERY RARE ... OCCURING IN ROUGHLY ONE OUT OF EVERY 100 THOUSAND CHILDREN. SO FAR THE RUNS HAVE RAISED MORE THAN 100-THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR RESEARCH IN THE PAST FIVE YEARS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/11/2010 REPORTED...

ONE OF THOSE OAKLAND OFFICERS...WHO MAY BE OUT OF A JOB TOMORROW, IS BEING HAILED A HERO THIS WEEKEND...THE OFFICER WAS OFF DUTY YESTERDAY, NEAR LAKE MERRITT, WHEN HE SAYS HE SAW A MAN SHAKING A TODDLER, AND THEN THROW THE GIRL INTO THE STREET.THE 18 MONTH OLD GIRL WAS RUN OVER BY A CAR, BUT THE OFFICER WAS ABLE TO GET HER OUT... FROM UNDER THE VEHICLE ... WITH ONLY SOME SCRAPES AND BRUISES.THEN ...WE'RE TOLD THE OFFICER FLAGGED DOWN A PASSING DRIVER, AND WENT AFTER THE SUSPECT, WHO HAD STARTED FIGHTING WITH SEVERAL MOTORISTS NEARBY.THE MAN ALLEGEDLY ATTACKED THE OFFICER.POLICE SAY THEY HAD TO USE A TAZER ON THE MAN TO SUBDUE AND ARREST HIM.THE LITTLE GIRL IS EXPECTED TO BE OKAY.SHE WAS BURNED BY THE CAR ENGINE, BUT DIDN'T APPEAR TO SUFFER ANY MAJOR INJURIES.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/18/2010 REPORTED...

BY THE END OF JUST FIVE SHORT WEEKS...THESE 11-14 YEAR OLDS WILL TAKE OVER THIS STAGE...DRESSED IN COSTUMES AND PERFORMING BALLET...AFRICAN AND MODERN DANCE. BUT FOR RIGHT NOW...THEY ARE LEARNING NOT JUST TO *HEAR* THE DRUMS...BUT TO FEEL THE BEAT DEEP INSIDE OF THEM. THEY'RE FIGURING OUT HOW EXPRESS THEMSELVES THROUGH THEIR BODIES. AND THESE 50 KIDS ARE LEARNING FROM THE BEST. THIS IS AILEY CAMP...ONE OF 8 INTENSIVE SUMMER CAMP PROGRAMS CREATED BY THE ACCLAIMED ALVIN AILEY AMERICAN DANCE THEATER. THE ONLY ONE ON THE WEST COAST IS ON THE U-C BERKELEY CAMPUS. ACROSS THE EAST BAY ... SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES HAVE ALL BUT DRIED UP FOR KIDS. BERKELEY EVEN HAD CLOSE ITS PUBLIC POOLS BECAUSE OF LACK OF FUNDING. BUT THIS SUMMER... 12-YEAR-OLD JUSTIN ARUDA IS TAKING STEPS TOWARD HIS DREAM...BECOMING A PROFESSIONAL DANCER. AND HE'S DOING IT ALL WITHOUT PAYING A DIME. AMAZINGLY...THE KIDS' LEVEL OF DANCE SKILLS ISN'T THE TRUE FOCUS OF AILEY CAMP. INSTRUCTORS SAY THEY'RE USING DANCE TO TEACH THE STUDENTS DISCIPLINE THAT CAN BE APPLIED IN OTHER AREAS OF THEIR LIVES. THEY ALSO STUDY GOAL SETTING...NUTRITION AND SEXUAL RESPONSIBILITY. DAVID MCAULEY SAYS THERE ARE STILL SOME STUDENTS WHO DROP OUT OR TAKE A TURN DOWN THE WRONG ROAD. BUT OVERALL...HE SAYS THEY'VE HELPED KIDS WHO WOULD HAVE BEEN LOST OTHERWISE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/21/2010 REPORTED...

ALANA LANDRÚM IS SIX YEARS OLD. TOO YOUNG TO BE BURDONED WITH BUDGET WOOS...BUT SMART ENOUGH TO KNOW THAT THE CALIFORNIA BUDGET CRISIS IS EFFECTING HER. ALANA'S EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER IS SLATTED TO CLOSE AT THE END OF THE MONTH. SEVEN CENTERS ARE SLATED TO CLOSE. THEY INCLUDED SEQUOIA, MANZANITA, JEFFERSON, GOLDEN GATE AND SANTA FE. PRE SCHOOLERS AND SOME SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN WHO QUALIFY USE THE CENTERS...THEIR PARENTS DON'T MAKE A LOT OF MONEY. ABOUT ONE THOUSAND CHILDREN WILL BE EFFECTED BY THE CLOSURE. THE STATE REDUCED FUNDING FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION TO THE TUNE OF 1.2 BILLION DOLLARS STATEWIDE. OAKLAND CUT 13 MILLIION DOLLARS FROM IT'S 17 MILLION DOLLAR BUDGET...THAT'S A 73% REDUCTION WE PUT IN A CALL TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE. PRESS SECRETARY MATT CONNELLY RESPONDED TO THE CUTS IN PRESCHOOL EDUCATION BY SAYING "EVERY DAY THAT THE LEGISLATURE FAILS TO ACT, THE STATE LOSES AN ADDITIONAL \$52 MILLION DOLLARS AND BUDGET ISSUES LIKE THESE BECOME MORE DIFFICULT AND PAINFUL FOR CALIFORNIA'S FAMILIES." BUT THESE FAMILIES ARE FIGHTING BACK IN OAKLAND. A GROUP CALLING THEMSELVES OAKLAND PARENTS TOGETHER ARE MAKING A PROPOSAL TONIGHT. THEY WANT OUT OF WORK TEACHERS, VOLUNTEERS AND PARENTS TO ACT AS FULL TIME TEACHERS TO KEEP THE CENTERS OPEN. THEY SAY IT'S NOT THE BEST SOLUTION ... BUT RIGHT NOW. IT'S THE ONLY SOLUTION THEY HAVE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/28/2010 REPORTED...

HUNDREDS OF PARENTS WAITED FOR HOURS IN SAN JOSE THIS MORNING, TO REGISTER FOR FREE BACKPACKS FOR THEIR KIDS. LINES AT SAN JOSE'S SACRED HEART COMMUNITY SERVICES AGENCY STRETCHED AROUND THE BLOCK. THE NON PROFIT WAS EXPECTING TO HAND OUT 15-HUNDRED BACKPACKS NEXT MONTH, BUT JUDGING BY THE LINE TODAY, MORE WILL BE NEEDED. THE ACTUAL BACKPACK GIVEAWAY IS AUGUST 13TH, AND THE AGENCY ONLY HAS A THIRD OF THE BACKPACKS NEEDED TO MEET THE DEMAND. SACRED HEART IS ASKING ANYONE WHO CAN TO HELP OUT.

Crimes-Federal/State/Local & Law Enforcement

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/2/2010 REPORTED...

POLICE SAY THIS CROWD IGNORED "LAWFUL ORDERS" TO STOP FIGHTING. THAT'S WHY OFFICERS JUMPED INTO A BRAWL THAT ERUPTED ON SUNDAY NIGHT AFTER SAN FRANCISCO'S GAY PRIDE PARADE. SEVEN YOUNG WOMEN WERE EVENTUALLY ARRESTED. AND NOW SEVERAL CITY AGENCIES ARE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT EXACTLY WHAT HAPPENED. NBC BAY AREA'S TRACI GRANT JOINS US LIVE FROM SAN FRANCISCO WITH MORE DETAILS ON THE FIGHT.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/17/2010 REPORTED...

GARVIN... THIS IS WHERE THE CONFRONTATION BETWEEN THE SUSPECT AND FIVE OFFICERS ENDED... ON 33RD AVENUE AND EAST 16TH STREET... LESS THAN A HALF MILE AWAY FROM THE FRUITVALE BART STATION. ACCORDING TO POLICE... WITNESSES HEARD THE SUSPECT SAYING HE WAS HEADED THERE...ARMED WITH KNIVES. CALLS STARTED COMING IN ABOUT 8:15 THIS MORNING AND IT WAS BART POLICE OFFICERS WHO INITIALLY SAW THE SUSPECT WHO RAN FROM THEM. AT THAT POINT... OAKLAND POLICE JOINED BART OFFICERS IN THE PURSUIT. OAKLAND POLICE SAY THEY ATTEMPTED TO TASER HIM TWICE ... BUT HE CONTINUED TO RUN AND EVENTUALLY CHARGED AT ONE OF THE OFFICERS WITH A KNIFE. THAT'S WHEN FIVE OFFICERS FROM BOTH OAKLAND AND BART POLICE OPENED FIRE...KILLING THE SUSPECT. NEIGHBORS SAY THEY'RE ALREADY ON EDGE OVER LOSING 80 OAKLAND POLICE OFFICERS WHO WERE LAID OFF BECAUSE OF BUDGET CUTS LAST WEEK. THEY SAY THE NEIGHBORHOOD HAS SEEN A RISE IN DRUG USE AND GUN VIOLENCE AND TODAY'S INCIDENT JUST STEPS AWAY FROM THEIR HOMES... THEY SAY... PROVES THAT OAKLAND NEEDS TO BRING THOSE OFFICERS BACK. OAKLAND POLICE WHO IS THE LEAD ON THIS CASE SAY THEIR RESPONSE TIME WAS NOT AT ALL AFFECTED BY LAST WEEK'S LAYOFFS. POLICE ARE INTERVIEWING WITNESSES TODAY AND THE OFFICERS INVOLVED. THIS AFTERNOON... THEY COULDN'T TELL US HOW MANY OF THE FIVE OFFICERS WHO FIRED THEIR WEAPONS ARE WITH BART POLICE AND HOW MANY ARE WITH OAKLAND.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/20/10 REPORTED...

PROTESTERS WHO TOOK OVER THE SECOND FLOOR OF A VACANT SAN FRANCISCO BUILDING --- WERE FORCIBLY REMOVED BY POLICE TODAY. FIVE PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED FOR TRESSPASSING OVERNIGHT IN THE BUILDING AT THE CORNER OF 20TH AND MISSION STREET. THE PROTEST WAS ORGANANIZED BY "DIRECT ACTION TO STOP THE CUTS"--- A HOUSING AND HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCACY GROUP. IT BEGAN WITH A MARCH AGAINST POTENTIAL BUDGET CUTS THAT COULD AFFECT THE CITY'S POOR. IT ENDED WITH PROTESTERS IN HANDCUFFS, ITS UNCLEAR TONIGHT IF THE SQUATTERS WILL BE CHARGED.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/21/10 REPORTED...

SAN FRANCISCO POLICE CONTINUE THEIR INVESTIGATION OF AN INCIDENT IN WHICH AN OFFICER APPARENTLY FORCED A HANDCUFFED WOMAN FACE FIRST INTO THE PAVEMENT.IT WAS CAPTURED ON VIDEO... AND POSTED ON YOU-TUBE. TODAY... MAYOR GAVIN NEWSOM SAID THAT POLICE CHIEF GEORGE GASCON IS TAKING THE MATTER SERIOUSLY. IT IS THIS PORTION OF THE VIDEO SHOT SUNDAY THAT LED TO THE INVESTIGATION. POLICE SAY THE WOMAN WAS DRUNK WHILE PUSHING A BABY IN A STROLLER. AS ONE OFFICER WALKS TO THE OTHER SIDE OF THE PATROL CAR ... THE OTHER OFFICER HOLDS ON TO THE WOMAN'S NECK AS SHE PUSHES BACK TO AVOID GETTING IN THE CAR. SHE THEN HITS THE PAVEMENT. THE OFFICER IS ON PAID LEAVE DURING THE INVESTIGATION.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/26/10 REPORTED...

YOU TALK TO SOME PEOPLE IN THE CITY AND THEY ARE NOT SURPRISED SAN JOSE POLICE CHIEF ROB DAVIS IS RETIRING. THERE WAS SOME TALK IN THE PAST FEW MONTHS THAT HE WOULD RETIRE SOON. CHIEF DAVIS SAYS HE WILL STEP DOWN AT THE END OF OCTOBER. THIS WILL MEAN THE END OF A CAREER THAT HAS SPANNED 30 YEARS, THE LAST SEVEN AS POLICE CHIEF. PEOPLE MAY BE WONDERING WHY NOW? AFTER ALL THE CHIEF IS ONLY 53 YEARS OLD. BUT HE TOLD ME DURING MY INTERVIEW WITH HIM THAT IT SIMPLY IS TIME. CHIEF DAVIS SAYS HE WANTS TO SPEND MORE QUALITY TIME WITH HIS WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN BECAUSE HE AVERAGES 72 HOURS AT WORK EVERY WEEK. DURING MY CHAT WITH THE CHIEF, HE THANKED THE CITY OF SAN JOSE FOR THE PAST 30 YEARS. AND HE ALSO ANSWERED HIS CRITICS WHO HAVE CRITICIZED HIM AND HIS DEPARTMENT FOR WHAT THEY SAY WERE AGGRESSIVE POLICE TACTICS AND ALSO RACIAL PROFILING AGAINST LATINOS IN DOWNTOWN SAN JOSE.

I TALKED WITH CITY MANAGER DEBRA FIGONE AS WELL. SHE SAYS THE SEARCH IS UNDERWAY FOR CHIEF DAVIS' REPLACEMENT. THE GOAL IS TO FIND SOMEONE BY THE END OF OCTOBER. WE'RE LIVE FROM SAN JOSE, GEORGE KIRIYAMA, NBC BAY AREA NEWS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/26/10 REPORTED...

IT'S NO PICNIC IN THE PARK...CRIME IS ON THE RISE IN CALIFORNIA'S STATE PARKS.

A SACRAMENTO BEE ANALYSIS OF DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION DATA REVEALS CRIME HAS NEARLY TRIPLED IN THE LAST DECADE. MORE THAN 62-THOUSAND CRIMES WERE REPORTED IN THE PARKS LAST YEAR--- THATS ABOUT 170 A DAY. SERIOUS AND VIOLENT CRIMES REMAIN UNCOMMON-- WITH 87 ASSAULTS REPORTED LAST YEAR.TRESPASSING IN CLOSED AREAS, FAILING TO PAY ENTRY FEES AND ILLEGAL CAMPING AND FISHING ARE SOME OF THE MOST COMMON OFFENSES.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/23/10 REPORTED...

HE SAYS HE KNOWS FOR A FACT THAT HIS DAD...STEVEN HAYASHI LOVE'S HIS SON. THEY LIVE IN THE BACK OF THIS CUL DE SEC ON TRAIL CREEK COURT IN CONCORD. YESTERDAY 2 YEAR OLD JACOB BISBEE WOKE UP...AND WENT DOWN STAIRS....BUT HE APPARENTLY ALTERED HIS ROUTINE. WE ARE TOLD BY THE FAMILY THAT HE USUALLY CRAWLS IN BED WITH HIS GRANDMOTHER. INSTEAD HE OPENED THE GARAGE DOOR WHERE THREE OF THE FAMILY PIT BULLS WERE BEING KEPT. THE DOGS WHO HAD NEVER BEEN INTRODUCED TO THE BOY ATTACKED AND KILLED HIM. THE TODDLER'S STEP GRAND FATHER, STEVEN HAYASHI WAS NOT AT HOME AT THE TIME BUT HE IS BEING HELD RESPONSIBLE. STEVEN HAYASHI IS IN THE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY JAIL RIGHT NOW IN MARTINEZ. HE IS FACING CHARGES, INCLUDING CHILD ENDANGERMENT.BAIL IS SET AT

\$120,000.HE WILL BE ARRAIGNED NEXT WEEK. THE HAYASHI FAMILY HAD FIVE PIT BULLS. TWO OF THEM JUST HAPPENED TO BE IN THE BACK YARD, ALL FIVE WERE PUT DOWN BY ANIMAL CONTROL YESTERDAY.

Diversity

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/2/2010 REPORTED...

BUT THAT DIDN'T HAPPEN WHEN MICHAEL WALKER...AKA THA GHETTO PROPHET ... CAME TO OAKLAND AT AGE 14. HE JUST WOUND UP HANGING WITH THE WRONG CROWD AGAIN. A SURVIVOR...NOW 30... WALKER IS A YOUTH LEADER IN THE COMMUNITY...AND A MEMBER OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY.HE WANTS TO SEE JUSTICE FOR OSCAR GRANT. NOW HE IS SPENDING HIS TIME PROMOTING NON VIOLENCE ONCE THE VERDICT IS READ....HE SAYS HE DOESN'T WANT TO SEE A REPEAT OF THE DESTRUCTION IN THE STREETS 18 MONTHS AGO. HE WAS ONE OF THE SPEAKERS AT THE MAYOR'S NEWS CONFERENCE THIS AFTERNOON. AND THE MAYOR SPENT SOME TIME TALKING TO HIM ABOUT HOW THE COMMUNITY CAN CONVINCE OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE NOT TO RESORT TO VIOLENCE. WALKER SAYS HE HAS AN OBLIGATION TO TRY AND FIX WHAT'S WRONG WITH THE STREETS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/2/2010 REPORTED...

CALTRANS HAS PAINTED OVER A WELL-KNOWN MURAL OF THE AMERICAN FLAG - RAISING PUBLIC OUTCRY. THE FLAG WAS PAINTED BY THREE MEN, IN RESPONSE TO THE 9-11 ATTACKS, BACK IN 2001. IT SEEMS CALTRANS FINALLY NOTICED THE MURAL NEAR THE SUNOL GRADE SECTION OF I-6-80 LAST MONTH, AND DEEMED IT GRAFFITI. ON WEDNESDAY, WORKERS PAINTED THE SQUARE GRAY. NOW THE MEN WHO FIRST PAINTED THE FLAG, PLAN TO APPLY FOR A PERMIT TO REPAINT IT. THE LIKELIHOOD OF THAT IS SLIM, THOUGH. ART GUIDELINES BAN FLAGS AND POLITICAL SYMBOLS. MEANWHILE, THE GOVERNOR IS APOLOGIZING FOR CALTRANS' ACTIONS. HE SAID THAT TO REMOVE THE FLAG "ONLY DAYS BEFORE WE CELEBRATE OUR INDEPENDENCE AND REFLECT ON THE FREEDOMS WE ARE LUCKY ENOUGH TO ENJOY IN AMERICA IS UNCONSCIONABLE." HE'S ASKING CALTRANS TO COMPROMISE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/12/2010 REPORTED...

IN SACRAMENTO TODAY, THERE WAS A CELEBRATION HONORING DIVERSITY IN THE STATE'S COMMUNITY COLLEGES.AWARDS WERE HANDED OUT TO SEVERAL PEOPLE WHO PROMOTE THAT DIVERSITY. THE HONORS ARE NAMED AFTER DOCTOR JOHN RICE, THE LATE FATHER OF FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE CONDOLEEZZA RICE. HER FATHER ONCE SERVED ON THE STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S BOARD OF GOVERNORS.AND -- A PROGRAM PROVIDING ACADEMIC SUPPORT AND COUNSELING FOR MINORITY STUDENTS MAKING THE TRANSITION TO COLLEGE -- WAS ALSO RECOGNIZED. DOCTOR RICE SERVED ON THE STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGES' BOARD THROUGHOUT THE 1990S.CONDOLEEZZA RICE SAYS HER FATHER CARED DEEPLY FOR EDUCATION AND DIVERSITY.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/15/2010 REPORTED...

ARGENTINA IS NOW THE ONLY COUNTRY IN LATIN AMERICA WHERE GAYS AND LESBIANS CAN GET MARRIED. PEOPLE CHEERED IN THE STREETS AFTER THE HISTORIC VOTE OVERNIGHT. AFTER A MARATHON 16 HOUR DEBATE- 33 LAWMAKERS SUPPORTED THE MEASURE- WHILE 27 VOTED AGAINST IT. SAME-SEX CIVIL UNIONS ARE LEGAL IN URUGUAY, BRAZIL AND SOME STATES IN MEXICO BUT CRITICS SAY IT DOES NOT ALLOW FOR ALL THE BENEFITS OF MARRIAGE LIKE ADOPTION OR INHERITANCE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/26/2010 REPORTED...

SAN JOSE'S INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IS ALREADY NAMED FOR HIM.NOW -- FORMER TRANSPORTATION AND COMMERCE SECRETARY NORMAN MINETA IS GETTING A NEW HONOR. THE MAN WHO BECAME THE FIRST ASIAN AMERICAN TO HOLD A PRESIDENTIAL CABINET POST -- IS BEING RECOGNIZED BY THE SMITHSONIAN. A PORTRAIT OF MINETA WILL BECOME A PERMANENT PART OF THE MUSEUM'S NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY. PRESIDENT CLINTON APPOINTED MINETA COMMERCE SECRETARY IN 2000. THE FOLLOWING YEAR, PRESIDENT GEORGE-W-BUSH APPOINTED HIM TRANSPORTATION SECRETARY. MINETA SERVED IN CONGRESS FOR 20 YEARS. NEARLY 40 YEARS AGO, HE WAS ELECTED MAYOR OF SAN JOSE -- THE FIRST ASIAN AMERICAN MAYOR OF A MAJOR AMERICAN CITY.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/26/2010 REPORTED...

YOMI WRONG RECALLS A TIME WHEN HER DISABILITY LEFT HER FEELING LIKE A SECOND CLASS CITIZEN.BUT WITH THE SIGNING OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT 20 YEARS AGO, THE WORLD AROUND HER BEGAN TO CHANGE. WRONG BECAME A REPORTER FOR THE SAN JOSE MERCURY NEWS... AND NOW HEADS THE CENTER OF INDEPENDENT LIVING IN BERKELEY. TODAY, MEMBERS OF THE DISABLED COMMUNITY GATHERED AT SAN FRANCISCO CITY HALL... TO MARK THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ADA. THE ADA MADE IT ILLEGAL FOR BUSINESSES OR GOVERNMENT TO DISCRIMINATE AGAINST PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.IT ALSO LEAD TO ADVANCEMENTS LIKE CURB CUTOUTS AND DISABLED PARKING ZONES THAT IMPROVED ACCESS. BUT DESPITE 20 YEARS OF ADVANCEMENTS, WRONG SAYS THERE IS STILL A WAYS TO GO. WRONG AND OTHERS SAY THE ADA GAVE THEM A POWERFUL LEGAL TOOL IN THE FIGHT FOR EQUALITY.A TOOL THAT CAN SMASH THROUGH BARRIERS... RATHER THAN GO AROUND THEM. JOE ROSATO JR. NBC BAY AREA NEWS

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/5/2010 REPORTED...

BUDGET CONCERNS COULD CAUSE A MERGER FOR SANTA CLARA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS. THE MERCURY NEWS REPORTS A CIVIL GRAND JURY WANTS SOME HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO JOIN WITH FEEDER ELEMENTARY DISTRICTS. THE GRAND JURY SAYS CONSOLIDATING THE COUNTY'S 31 SCHOOL DISTRICTS...COULD SAVE 51 MILLION DOLLARS EACH YEAR. DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES SAY THOSE ESTIMATED SAVINGS COULD BE TOO HIGH -- AND QUESTION WHETHER THE PLAN WOULD BENEFIT STUDENTS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/12/2010 REPORTED...

WELL-REPUTED U-C BERKELEY IS SO HIGH ON K.C. CHILAMKURTY'S COLLEGE WISH LIST THAT HIS FAMILY TRAVELED ALL THE WAY FROM ILLINOIS TO SEE WHERE...IF ACCEPTED...HE WOULD LIVE AND TAKE CLASSES. BUT SOON...THERE MAY COME A TIME WHEN THESE STUDENTS WON'T HAVE TO WALK THROUGH CAMPUS TO GET TO CLASS...THEY CAN SIMPLY TURN ON THEIR COMPUTERS. ONLINE COLLGE DEGREES. YOU'VE SEEN THE ADS ON TV FOR SCHOOLS LIKE UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX AND NOW UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA WANTS TO TRY OUT A PILOT PROGRAM TO FIND OUT IF IT CAN WORK FOR THEM TOO. VICE PROVOST DAN GREENSTEIN SAYS NOT EVERYONE CAN BE AN "ON THE GROUND" STUDENT BECAUSE THEY CAN'T AFFORD TO PHYSICALLY MOVE TO BERKELEY OR HAVE TO HOLD DOWN FULLTIME JOBS. STANFORD UNIVERSITY HAS ALREADY SHOWN WITH ITS GRADUATE COURSES THAT TOP TIER SCHOOLS DON'T HAVE TO BE JUST BRICKS AND MORTAR. GREENSTEIN SAY U-C SCHOOLS COULD DO THE SAME WITH UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES...BUT HE ADMITS THERE'S SKEPTICISM AND CONCERN ABOUT WHAT CYBER EDUCATION COULD DO TO PRESTIGIOUS SCHOOLS...EVEN IN THE JOB WORLD. CHILAMKURTY ISN'T IMPRESSED.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/12/2010 REPORTED...

NOT ENOUGH FUNDING FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION IS AT THE HEART OF A LAWSUIT FILED AGAINST THE STATE TODAY. A GROUP OF EDUCATION ACTIVISTS FILED THE SUIT ON BEHALF OF LOW INCOME FAMILIES. THE LAWSUIT ALLEGES THE STATE IS NOT OFFERING A QUALITY PUBLIC EDUCATION FOR ALL STUDENTS. THE PLAINTIFFS WANT TO INCEASE SCHOOL FUNDING BY BILLIONS ANNUALLY--- AND REFORM THE SYSTEM TO MAKE SURE MONEY IS DISTRIBUTED EQUALLY. THE GOVERNOR HOPES TO REACH AN AGREEMENT BEFORE THE LAWSUIT HITS A COURT. BUT ADDS THROWING MONEY ALONE AT THE EDUCATION SYSTEM WILL NOT HELP.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/14/2010 REPORTED...

NO SPRING ADMISSIONS AT SAN JOSE STATE: THE UNIVERSITYMADE IT OFFICIAL TODAY. IT WILL NOT ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR THE 20-11 SPRING SEMESTER. THE DECISION INCLUDES APPLICATIONS FROM ALL PROSPECTIVE FIRST-TIME FRESHMEN, COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRANSFER STUDENTS, GRADUATE STUDENTS AND STUDENTS SEEKING A SECOND BACHELOR'S DEGREE. EXCEPTIONS INCLUDE NON-STATE FUNDED PROGRAMS FOR WORKING PROFESSIONALS, SUCH AS ENGINEERS AND TEACHERS -- AND SEVERAL TEACHER CREDENTIALING PROGRAMS.OTHER C-S-U CAMPUSES THAT ARE RESTRICTING SPRING ACCESS INCLUDE SAN FRANCISCO STATE, HUMBOLDT STATE, CAL POLY-POMONA, FRESNO STATE AND CHICO STATE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/15/2010 REPORTED...

CLASSROOM CRISIS...CALIFORNIA'S BOARD OF EDUCATION DECLARED AN EMERGENCY TODAY IN A THOUSAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS.BOARD MEMBERS SAY STUDENTS IN THE SCHOOLS ARE AT RISK OF SERIOUS HARM IF THEY STAY WHERE THEY ARE. BUT THE DECLARATION GIVES PARENTS SOME HOPE OF IMPROVING THINGS FOR THEIR CHILDREN.

IT ALLOWS THE BOARD TO SPEED UP LEGISLATION THAT LETS STUDENTS TRANSFER TO BETTER SCHOOLS.NBC BAY AREA'S CHERYL HURD IS LIVE IN SAN FRANCISCO.... WHERE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS FROM ALL OVER THE BAY AREA ARE DEALING WITH THIS NEW STATE OF EMERGENCY AND THE BUDGET CRISIS.

Environment

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/1/2010 REPORTED...

THIS HOLIDAY WEEKEND IS NORMALLY PEAK TOURIST SEASON ON THE GULF, BUT THE WORST OIL SPILL IN U.S. HISTORY IS TAKING ITS TOLL...AND HERE'S WHY. THIS UNDERSEA CAMERA SHOWS THAT THE OIL CONTINUES TO GUSH FROM THE GULF FLOOR. THE OIL HAS CLOSED BEACHES, AND EMPTIED HOTELS AND SHOPS AT MANY VACATION SPOTS, WHERE 4TH OF JULY VISITORS CAN MAKE OR BREAK A SEASON... CONTAINMENT EFFORTS ARE NOT ON HOLD FOR THE HOLIDAY. SKIMMERS AND BOOMS WERE BACK ON THE WATER TODAY, AFTER DELAYS CAUSED BY HURRICANE ALEX. A THIRD CONTAINMENT VESSEL IS DUE TO BE UP AND RUNNING NEXT WEEK, WHICH WILL ALLOW TWICE AS MUCH SIPHONING AT THE SPILL SITE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/5/2010 REPORTED...

THE ABALONE POPULATION ALONG THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA COAST IS IN JEOPARDY. EXPERTS SAY A SPIKE IN POACHING - AND AN INCREASE IN LEGALLY HARVESTED ABALONE... ARE CAUSING A SEVERE DECLINE IN THE POPULATION.IN MAY AND JUNE, STATE GAME WARDENS ISSUED 57 CITATIONS - AND CONFISCATED 84 ABALONE IN SONOMA COUNTY. IN MENDOCINO COUNTY, THEY GAVE OUT 41 CITATIONS AND SEIZED 85 ABALONE...THE MOLLUSKS CAN LIVE 30 TO 50 YEARS...IT TAKES AT LEAST 10 YEARS FOR THEM TO GROW, TO THE LEGAL HARVEST SIZE OF 7 INCHES...

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/7/2010 REPORTED...

SANTA CLARA GETS TOP MARKS TODAY FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR ITS USE OF GREEN POWER. IT HAS CAPTURED THE NUMBER-ONE SPOT ON THE E-P-A'S LIST OF GREEN-POWERED CITIES.

SANTA CLARA EARNED THAT DISTINCTION BECAUSE THE CITY'S ELECTRICAL USE COMES FROM MORE THAN 163-THOUSAND MEGA-WATT HOURS OF VOLUNTARY GREEN POWER PURCHASES. THAT'S MORE THAN ANY OTHER CITY IN THE COUNTRY. THE E-P-A SAYS MORE THAN 4-THOUSAND SANTA CLARA RESIDENTS ARE HELPING TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS .. BY PURCHASING WIND AND SOLAR POWER. IN ADDITION - THE E-P-A SAYS SANTA CLARA-BASED INTEL IS THE NATION'S GREENEST COMPANY.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/19/2010 REPORTED...

THEY ARE THE IMAGES SO MANY HAVE WAIT SO LONG FOR ALONG THE GULF COAST...
FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ALMOST THREE MONTHS... THERE IS NO OIL POURING INTO THE GULF...AFTER
REPLACING A FAULTY CHOKE-LINE...B-P ENGINEERS ARE NOW MOVING FORWARD WITH WORK ON THE FLOOR
OF THE GULF...CRITICAL TESTING ON THE NEW CONTAINMENT STACK...IF IT WORKS...THE PLAN IS TO USE THE
CAP TO FUNNEL MOST IF NOT ALL OF THE OIL TO WAITING CONTAINMENT SHIPS...IF PRESSURE READINGS
SHOW THE WELL IS IN TACT BELOW THE FLOOR OF THE GULF... TEAMS COULD ALSO TEMPORARILY SHUT
DOWN THE CAP AND CONTAIN THE OIL...AND NOT WORTH THE RISK... ACCORDING TO SOME INDEPENDENT
SCIENTISTS...GOVERNMENT SCIENTISTS SAY THAT'S WHY THEY TOOK AN EXTRA DAY TO ANALYZE THE
PROCESS.. AND THEY BELIEVE DATA FROM THE TESTING COULD ACTUALLY PROVIDE KEY INFORMATION AS
THEY PREPARE TO SEAL THE WELL...A GOAL THAT HAS ELUDED TEAMS FOR 87 DAYS... AND COUNTING... THE
CAP TESTING COULD TAKE AS LONG AS 48-HOURS... AND DURING THAT TIME CREWS WILL SUSPEND DRILLING
ON THE PRIMARY RELIEF WELL.JAY GRAY NBC BAY AREA NEWS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/28/2010 REPORTED...

THE COMPANY RESPONSIBLE FOR A HUGE OIL SPILL IN MICHIGAN SAYS THEY'RE DOUBLING THEIR WORKFORCE FOR THE CLEANUP. THIS IS NEW VIDEO OF THE SPILL, SHOT FROM A CREEK LEADING TO THE KALAMAZOO RIVER, WHICH FEEDS INTO LAKE MICHIGAN. THE LEAK IN THE OIL PIPELINE WAS DISCOVERED LATE MONDAY, BUT NOT BEFORE MORE THAN 800-THOUSAND GALLONS GUSHED INTO WATERWAYS. NOW THE RACE IS ON TO STOP THE SLUDGE FROM REACHING THE LAKE. THERE IS STILL NO WORD ON A POSSIBLE CAUSE OF THE SPILL.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/29/2010 REPORTED...

AS SAN JOSE MAYOR, CHUCK REED HAS CUT A LOT OF RIBBONS AT A LOT OF OPENINGS. TODAY, INSTEAD OF SLICING A PIECE OF TAPE, HE PLUGGED IN AN ELECTRICAL CORD, IN THE PARKING GARAGE BENEATH THE MCENERY CONVENTION CENTER. WITH THAT MOVE-- HE OFFICIALLY OPENED THE FIRST *CHARGE-POINT* STATION TO CHARGE ELECTRIC VEHICLES. EVENTUALLY THERE WILL BE MORE THAN EIGHT-THOUSAND SUCH STATIONS COAST TO COAST. THE \$37-MILLION-DOLLAR *CHARGE-POINT-AMERICA* PROGRAM WILL BRING SOME1600-HOME AND PUBLIC CHARGING STATIONS TO CALIFORNIA.

Government

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/6/2010 REPORTED...

SENATOR BARBARA BOXER BLASTED REPUBLICAN OPPONENT CARLY FIORINA TODAY, AS BOXER TOUTED HER OWN RECORD ON CALIFORNIA JOBS. BOXER USED AN INFORMATIONAL UPDATE ON THE DOYLE DRIVE OVERHAUL AS HER BACKDROP. THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT IS FUNDED WITH MORE THAN A-HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE FEDERAL STIMULUS BILL, WHICH BOXER SAYS FIORINA OPPOSED-- ALONG WITH EXTENDING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS. DOYLE DRIVE IS UNDERGOING A SEISMIC RE-DESIGN.CONSTRUCTION ON THE ROADWAY, WHICH IS ALSO THE APPROACH FOR THE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE, WILL BE FINISHED IN 2013.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/26/2010 REPORTED...

REPUBLICANS ARE RESERVING MORE THAN ONE AND HALF MILLION DOLLARS FOR TELEVISION ADS TO HELP CARLY FIORINA IN THE FINAL WEEK OF THE CALIFORNIA SENATE RACE.POLITICAL ANALYSTS SAY THE COMMITMENT SIGNALS THE PARTY FEELS OPTIMISTIC ABOUT UNSEATING THREE-TERM DEMOCRATIC SENATOR BARBARA BOXER IN NOVEMBER. THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL COMMITTEE -- WHICH IS MAKING THE FINANCIAL COMMITMENT -- HAS BEEN RELUCTANT IN PAST SENATE RACES TO SPEND ANY MONEY IN CALIFORNIA BECAUSE DEMOCRATS HAVE A HUGE EDGE IN VOTER REGISTRATION.FIORINA SPENT 5 AND A HALF MILLION DOLLARS OF HER OWN MONEY BEFORE THE JUNE PRIMARY. SINCE THE PRIMARY, SHE HASN'T GIVEN ANY MORE OF HER OWN MONEY ON HER CAMPAIGN, AND HER FUNDRAISING LAGS BOXER'S.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/28/2010 REPORTED...

THE FUTURE OF IMPEACHED ILLINOIS GOVERNOR ROD BLAGOJEVICH IS NOW IN THE HANDS OF A JURY... THE CASE WAS HANDED OVER TO JURORS TODAY, BUT THE JUDGE DOESN'T EXPECT A VERDICT ANYTIME SOON.BLAGOJEVICH FACES UP TO 415 YEARS IN PRISON AND MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN FINES. DURING THE COURSE OF THE TRIAL, PROSECUTORS PORTRAYED HIM AS A GREEDY POLITICAL SCHEMER DETERMINED TO USE HIS POSITION OF POWER TO GET RICH. HIS OWN LAWYERS CHARACTERIZED HIM AS AN INSECURE BUMBLER WHO NEVER TRIED TO PROFIT FROM ANYTHING.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/29/2010 REPORTED...

THE BIGGEST RACES IN THE STATE ARE STILL VERY CLOSE, AS WE HEAD INTO THE FINAL MONTH OF THE SUMMER. ATTORNEY GENERAL JERRY BROWN LEADS HIS REPBULICAN OPPONENT FOR GOVERNOR, MEG

WHITMAN, 37 TO 34 PERCENT. THAT'S DESPITE A SUMMER, SPENT TARGETING BROWN IN EXPENSIVE ADS... AND ACTIVELY CAMPAIGNING TO THE LATINO POPULATION. WHITMAN, A BILLIONARE, EX CEO OF E- BAY, HAS SPENT 14 MILLION SINCE THE PRIMARY-- WHERE SHE SPENT 90 MILLION FIGHTING- OFF STEVE POIZNER.

Health/Nutrition & Disease

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/2/2010 REPORTED...

REMEMBER THÉ SWINE FLU SCARE? THE U-S SPENT MILLIONS TO START PUMPING OUT VACCINES. NOW, 40-MILLION DOSES HAVE TO BE DESTROYED. THEY EXPIRED WEDNESDAY AND WERE WORTH ABOUT 260-MILLION DOLLARS. AND THAT'S NOT THE END OF IT -- ANOTHER 30-MILLION DOSES EXPIRE SOON -- AND PROBABLY WON'T BE USED.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/5/2010 REPORTED...

IN HEALTH NEWS TONIGHT, RESEARCHERS SAY PEOPLE SUFFERING FROM DEPRESSION FACE AN INCREASED RISK FOR MEMORY PROBLEMS LATER IN LIFE. A STUDY FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS FINDS A 70-PERCENT INCREASED RISK FOR DEMENTIA AMONG ADULTS WITH A HISTORY OF DEPRESSION. EXPERTS SAY CHANGES IN THE BRAIN CAUSED BY DEPRESSION MAY BE TO BLAME. LIFESTYLE FACTORS COMMON WITH DEPRESSION... SUCH AS A LACK OF EXERCISE AND SOCIALISING.. ARE ALSO CONSIDERED FACTORS.SCIENTISTS HAD LONG BELIEVED DEPRESSION PLAYED A ROLE IN DEMENTIA, BUT DID NOT HAVE ANY CONCRETE EVIDENCE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/6/2010 REPORTED...

A NEW REPORT SAYS CANCER SCREENING RATES ARE HIGH -- BUT BUT NOT HIGH ENOUGH. THE C-D-C SAYS FOUR OUT OF FIVE OLDER WOMEN WERE SCREENED FOR BREAST CANCER IN 2008 -- AND EXPERTS SAY -- THAT'S A BIG NUMBER. BUT IT MEANS -- ROUGHLY SEVEN *MILLION* WOMEN -- MISSED THEIR MAMMOGRAM. THERE'S BETTER NEWS FOR ANOTHER LEADING CANCER KILLER. SCREENING TESTS FOR COLON CANCER WENT UP ELEVEN PERCENT OVER SIX YEARS. 22 MILLION ADULTS WHO DOCTORS SAY SHOULD HAVE BEEN TESTED WERE NOT. DOCTORS SAY SKIPPED SCREENINGS ARE COSTING THOUSANDS OF LIVES EVERY YEAR. THE C-D-C SAYS THE REASONS PATIENTS ARE NOT UNDERGOING THE TESTS - RANGE FROM A LACK OF INFORMATION FROM THEIR DOCTOR, TO A LACK OF INSURANCE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/72010 REPORTED...

THERE'S NO CURE FOR THE EYE DISEASE, AGE-RELATED MACULAR DEGENERATION, BUT A SOUTH BAY COMPANY HAS DEVELOPED A VERY FUTURISTIC-SOUNDING TREATMENT. T'S DESCRIBED AS A TELESCOPE WHICH IS SURGICALLY IMPLANTED IN THE EYE.THE 15-THOUSAND-DOLLAR DEVICE, MADE BY VISION-CARE IN SARATOGA, HAS JUST WON APPROVAL BY FEDERAL REGULATORS. THE COMPANY SAYS THE TELESCOPE IS ABOUT THE SIZE OF A PEA, AND IS INSERTED RIGHT BEHIND THE IRIS OF ONE-EYE, SO PATIENTS CAN SEE STRAIGHT AHEAD OF THEM. THE OTHER EYE WILL RETAIN PERIFERAL VISION.MACULAR DEGENERATION IS THE LEADING CAUSE OF BLINDNESS IN OLDER ADULTS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/26/2010 REPORTED...

A DRUG COMMONLY USED TO TREAT A-D-H-D MAY HELP COMBAT COCAINE ADDICTION. RESEARCHERS AT YALE UNIVERSITY DISCOVERED THE ACTIVE INGREDIENT IN RITALIN WAS ABLE TO BOOST IMPLUSE CONTROL IN COCAINE ADDICTS. WHEN ADDICTS WERE GIVEN THE RITALIN COMPOUND, THEY WERE ABLE TO PERFORM BETTER ON A COMPUTER TEST MEASURING IMPULSE CONTROL -- THAN ADDICTS NOT GIVEN THE COMPOUND. IMPULSE CONTROL IS, OF COURSE, A MAJOR REASON WHY PEOPLE SUCCUMB TO SUBSTANCE ABUSE EVEN WHEN THEY KNOW IT'S BAD FOR THEM.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/26/2010 REPORTED...

SUSAN LEE IS FIGHTING CANCER...AND HER COMPANY, ONYX PHARMACEUTICALS... JUST GOT SOME VERY GOOD NEWS... IT'S DRUG - CARFILZOMIB - TO FIGHT A CERTAIN TYPE OF CANCER, POSTED POSITIVE CLINICAL TRIAL RESULTS...ONYX'S CEO... AS WELL AS OTHER EMPLOYEES, AND INVESTORS, ALL SHARED IN THE OPTIMISM ... AFTER ALL, THOSE WHO SUFFER FROM MULTIPLE MYELOMA HAVE SEEN OTHER THERAPIES FAIL IN THE PAST ... SO THIS GIVES THEM NEW ENCOURAGEMENT ...ONYX, LIKE SEVERAL OTHER SILICON VALLEY BIOTECH COMPANIES ... IS GROWING AND HIRING.IT'S IN A HOTSPOT ...

MAKING MONEY, WHILE MAKING PROGRESS FOR PATIENTS \dots THERE'S STILL WORK TO DO \dots BUT HOPE FOR A CURE \dots IS ON THE RISE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/31/2010 REPORTED...

A NEW HEALTH DEPARTMENT REPORT MAY MAKE YOU THINK TWICE ABOUT THAT NEXT FIVE-DOLLAR HOT DOG YOU GET AT THE BALLPARK. E-S-P-N LOOKED AT FOOD SAFETY AT STADIUMS ACROSS THE COUNTRY: HERE IN THE BAY AREA, THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF HEALTH CODE VIOLATIONS HAS BEEN RECORDED AT MCAFEE COLISEUM, WITH 34 PERCENT OF ITS INSPECTION REPORTS ARE IN VIOLATION OF HEALTH CODES. H-P PAVILION COMES IN SECOND WITH 20 PERCENT. ORACLE ARENA IS THIRD WITH 19 PERCENT AND CANDLESTICK PARK WITH 13 PERCENT. THE LEAST NUMBER OF HEALTH CODE VIOLATIONS IS AT A-T-AND-T PARK, WHERE FOUR PERCENT OF ITS INSPECTION REPORTS WERE IN VIOLATION.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/29/2010 REPORTED...

MARTINEZ POLICE TOOK TIME OUT TODAY TO HELP SAVE THE LIFE OF ONE OF ITS

SERGEANT BRIAN CARTER INSPIRED A BONE MARROW DRIVE. A VETERAN OF THE FORCE, DOCTORS DIAGNOSED CARTER WITH NON-HODGKIN'S LYMPHOMA LAST YEAR.

CARTER INITIALLY BEAT THE CANCER INTO REMISSION...BUT NOW IT'S BACK, AND HE NEEDS A BONE MARROW MATCH. TODAY, THE PUBLIC WAS INVITED TO JOIN THE MARROW REGISTRY IN HOPES OF FINDING CARTER, OR ANOTHER PERSON IN NEED, A MATCH. JOINING THE REGISTRY IS FAIRLY EASY. VOLUNTEERS SIMPLY SWAB THEIR MOUTHS SEVERAL TIMES. THE SAMPLES ARE THEN CHECKED FOR SIX D-N-A MARKERS.

National & International Concerns/Safety & Security

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/1/2010 REPORTED...

MEMBERS OF AN ALLEGED RUSSIAN SPY RING WERE IN COURTROOMS TODAY IN BOSTON ... NEW YORK ... AND ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA.THE F-B-I SAYS THEY WERE ORDERED TO PENETRATE WASHINGTON'S INNER CIRCLES OF POWER...BUT ONE DEFENSE LAWYER ARGUED THEY GOT NO CLOSER THAN THE LOCAL P-T-A... ANNA CHAPMAN...WHO HAS BECOME THE FACE OF THE ALLEGED SPY OPERATION, WAS NOT IN COURT. SHE REMAINS JAILED WITHOUT BOND IN NEW YORK. AND THE ALLEGED PAYMASTER ... CHRISTOPHER METSOS ... IS ON THE RUN AFTER JUMPING BAIL IN CYPRUS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/16/2010 REPORTED...

IT'S BECOMING A DISTURBING REALITY THAT THE REGISTERED ADDRESSES OF MANY SEX OFFENDERS ARE OUTDATED... OR DOWNRIGHT BOGUS.AND WHILE YOU MIGHT ASSUME THAT OFFENDERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR GIVING FALSE ADDRESSES, THAT'S NOT ALWAYS THE CASE.THIS WEEK IN SAN DIEGO, LAW ENFORCEMENT FOUND THAT A TYPO ON THEIR PART SHOWED ONE SEX OFFENDER LIVED AT A MCDONALDS RESTAURANT...64-YEAR-OLD JAMES CASINO ACTUALLY LIVES A BLOCK AWAY, IN A NURSING HOME. THE MEGAN'S LAW WEBSITE WARNS PEOPLE THAT SEX OFFENDERS MAY HAVE MOVED, OR MAY BE HOMELESS, AND SOME ADDRESSES ARE SUBJECT TO "OPERATOR ERROR."POLICE SAY ITS EVEN MORE REASON TO BE HYPER-VIGILANT, AND TAKE STEPS TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/19/2010 REPORTED...

BORDER SECURITY IS BEING BEEFED UP: TODAY, FEDERAL OFFICALS ANNOUNCED 12-HUNDRED NATIONAL GUARD TROOPS WILL BEGIN TAKING UP POSITIONS ALONG THE SOUTHWEST BORDER AUGUST FIRST. THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION IS TRYING TO SHOW A COMMITMENT TO STOPPING CARTEL VIOLENCE AND ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION -- BY CLAMPING DOWN ALONG THE BORDER WITH MEXICO. KIDNAPPINGS, EXTORTIONS, AND THOUSANDS OF DEATHS ARE BLAMED ON DRUG CARTELS--- BOTH IN MEXICO AND THE U-S. TROOPS WILL BE STATIONED IN CALIFORNIA, ARIZONA, NEW MEXICO AND TEXAS. THEY WILL HELP THE BORDER PATROL WATCH FOR SMUGGLERS AND OTHER PEOPLE TRYING TO CROSS THE BORDER ILLEGALLY.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/19/2010 REPORTED...

ALMOST SIXTY YEARS AFTER THE END OF THE KOREAN WAR, THE U-S IS SENDING AN AIRCRAFT CARRIER TO THE REGION AS A SHOW OF FORCE. THE U-S-S GEORGE WASHINGTON AND THREE DESTORYERS WILL ARRIVE IN SOUTH KOREA FOR A JOINT MILITARY EXERCISE. IT IS IN RESPONSE TO THE SINKING OF A SOUTH KOREAN WARSHIP IN MARCH THAT KILLED 46 SAILORS. SOUTH KOREA AND AN INTERNATIONAL TEAM OF INVESTIGATORS HAVE BLAMED NORTH KOREA FOR THE ATTACK.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/21/2010 REPORTED...

THERE ARE NEW SANCTIONS AGAINST NORTH KOREA.- SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY CLINTON MADE THE ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY DURING A VISIT TO SOUTH KOREA WITH DEFENSE SECRETARY ROBERT GATES. THE SANCTIONS FORBID THE SALE OF WEAPONS TO NORTH KOREA. THEY WILL ALSO FREEZE SOME OF NORTH KOREA'S ASSETS, AND RESTRICT INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL FOR SOME BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS. THE U-N SECURITY COUNCIL HAS ALREADY IMPOSED STIFF SANCTIONS ON NORTH KOREA FOR TESTING NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND LONG-RANGE MISSILES.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/26/2010 REPORTED...

MADE PUBLIC WERE CLASSIFIED INTELLIGENCE AND ACTION REPORTS, FILED BY U-S FORCES IN AFGHANISTAN FROM '04 TO '09. TROOPS <u>WORRIED</u> ABOUT LOCAL SUPPORT. AND WORRIED ABOUT CIVILIAN DEATHS... 90 THOUSAND REPORTS LIKE THESE FOUR, RELEASED ONLINE BY WIKILEAKS DOT ORG. WIKILEAKS FOUNDER, JULIAN ASSANGE, CLAIMS U-S INVOLVEMENT IS <u>ILLEGAL</u> THE LEAKS DETAIL HOW <u>PAKISTANI INTELLIGENCE</u>, THE I-S-I ...ALLEGEDLY <u>HELPED THE TALIBAN</u>. AND HOW THE ANTI AMERICAN JIHAD WAS ALLEGEDLY <u>STILL</u> BEING ADVISED RECENTLY...BY FORMER I-S-I <u>COMMANDER</u>, GENERAL HAMID GUL. PAKISTAN PLAYING BOTH SIDES!! U-S FORCES DOUBTING THEY CAN WIN!! SEPARATELY, A CLAIM TODAY THAT A NATO ROCKET KILLED 52 AFGHAN CIVILIANS!! ALL THREATENING SUPPORT FOR PRESIDENT OBAMA'S PLAN TO ESCALATE THE WAR. NOW, PENTAGON OFFICIALS ARE LOOKING FOR WHOMEVER LEAKED OR HACKED INTO ...THE SECRET REPORTS. SECRECY...TOUGH TO PROTECT IN MODERN WARFARE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 7/31/2010 REPORTED...

POLICE SAY THEY ARE STILL LOOKING FOR SUSPECTS... BUT THREE PEOPLE ARE NOW UNDER ARREST IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATTACK. INVESTIGATORS SAY THAT A 40-YEAR-OLD MAN WAS WALKING HOME... AT ABOUT ONE O'CLOCK THIS MORNING... IN DOLORES PARK... NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF 19TH AND CHURCH STREETS. THAT'S WHEN A GROUP OF ABOUT TWELVE MEN ATTACKED HIM. INVESTIGATORS SAY THE MEN, ALL UNDER THE AGE OF 21... JUMPED THE VICTIM... BEAT HIM UP... AND STABBED HIM AND ROBBED HIM. THE

VICTIM WAS TAKEN TO SAN FRANCISCO GENERAL HOSPITAL WITH LIFE THREATENING INJURIES. POLICE DETAINED SEVEN PEOPLE... AND THEN PLACED THREE SUSPECTS UNDER ARREST. DOLORES PARK IS VERY A POPULAR SPOT-- ESPECIALLY ON THE WEEKENDS. PEOPLE WHO LIVE NEAR THE PARK TOLD US THEY ARE FRUSTRATED BY WHAT SEEMS TO BE AN INCREASE IN VIOLENCE HERE... DURING THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS. AT THIS POINT THE MOTIVE APPEARS TO BE A RANDOM ROBBERY. POLICE HAVE NOT RELEASED THE VICTIM'S NAME... WE JUST KNOW HE IS A 40 YEAR OLD ASIAN MAN... AND A RESIDENT OF SAN FRANCISCO.... AND THAT HIS INJURIES ARE LIFE THREATENING.

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Quarterly Issues/Programs Report Third Quarter 2010 August

KNTV/NBC BAY AREA is responsive to the principal issues arising in its community through regularly scheduled public affaires programming, newscasts, public service announcements as well as documentaries and specials. The following is a list of some of the programs that have provided the station's most significant treatment of community issues during the preceding three-month period.

BUSINESS & INDUSTRY, EMPLOYMENT

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/02/10 REPORTED...

MOMENTS AGO, AN ALAMEDA COUNTY JUDGE RULED IN FAVOR OF THE A-C TRANSIT BUS DRIVERS UNION, IN A MONTHS-LONG LABOR DISPUTE. THE JUDGE DECIDED THE CONTRACT THAT A-C TRANSIT IMPOSED ON ITS BUS DRIVERS, IS NOT VALID. THAT CONTRACT INCREASED HEALTH INSURANCE COSTS FOR WORKERS AND CREATED NEW WORK RULES, TO TRY TO MAKE UP FOR A 56 MILLION DOLLAR DEFICIT. BUS DRIVERS HAVE BEEN WORKING UNDER THAT CONTRACT SINCE LAST MONTH, AFTER THREE MONTHS OF FAILED NEGOTIATIONS.THE TRANSIT AGENCY CLAIMS WORKERS HAVE BEEN STAGING "SICK-OUTS" TO GET WHAT THEY WANT. THE UNION SAYS -- THAT'S NOT WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING.NO COMMENT FROM THE UNION ABOUT THE RULING -- BUT WE'LL BRING HAVE MORE AS THIS STORY DEVELOPS DURNING THE NEWSCAST.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/6/10 REPORTED...

THE JOB MARKET ISN'T LOOKING ANY BETTER TONIGHT. JULY UNEMPLOYMENT NUMBERS ARE OUT AND THEY LOOK JUST LIKE JUNE'S. THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE HELD STEADY AT NINE-POINT-FIVE PERCENT. PRIVATE EMPLOYERS ADDED ONLY 71-THOUSAND NEW JOBS ... FEWER THAN THE 200-THOUSAND NEEDED TO PUSH THE JOBLESS RATE LOWER. THE COUNTRY LOST 131-THOUSAND JOBS IN ALL-- MOST OF THOSE WERE TEMPORARY CENSUS JOBS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/9/10 REPORTED...

A SILICON VALLEY SOFTWARE POWERHOUSE IS GROWING... AND HIRING. ADOBE SYSTEMS, BASED IN SAN JOSE, SAYS IT'LL BUILD A NEW CAMPUS IN UTAH .. HIRING AS MANY AS ONE-THOUSAND NEW EMPLOYEES OVER THE NEXT SEVERAL YEARS. ADOBE SAYS IT CHOSE UTAH BECAUSE OF ITS TECH-SAVVY WORKERS, AND LOW COST OF DOING BUSINESS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/11/10 REPORTED...

THEY WERE WORKERS WHO BUILT CARS. POURING SWEAT AND PRIDE INTO TOYOTA'S FREMONT NUMMI PLANT.THE CLOSURE OF THE PLANT FIVE MONTHS AGO... LEFT MORE THAN FIVE THOUSAND PEOPLE JOBLESS. SOMETHING DIFFERENT... WAS A JOB FAIR IN PLESANTON....SOLELY FOR NUMMI EMPLOYEES. FOR SOME IT WAS A CHANCE TO POLISH RESUMEES...AND MEET FACE TO FACE WITH EMPLOYERS. FOR OTHERS... IT WAS A TIME FOR OLD FRIENDS. OF ALL THE EMPLOYERS ON HAND... THE LONGEST LINE WAS FOR TESLA MOTORS... WHICH IS MOVING INTO THE FORMER NUMMI PLANT. THE COMPANY EXPECTS TO HIRE UP TO 1000 WORKERS ONCE PRODUCTION BEGINS. DESPITE THE GLUM JOB MARKET... FORMER PAINT WORKER HELEN WILLIAMS TURNED OUT WITH A STACK OF RESUMEES AND HIGH HOPES. AND RENIVENTION WAS THE AGENDA FOR THE THREE THOUSAND SHOWING UP. AFTER YEARS BUILDING CARS.... NOW REBUILDING THEIR LIVES. JOE ROSATO JR... NBC BAY AREA NEWS

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/13/10 REPORTED...

ODDS ARE YOU'LL BE ON CAMERA THE NEXT TIME YOU VISIT OAKLAND'S CHINATOWN DISTRICT.BUSINESS OWNERS ARE WORKING TOGETHER TO BUILD AN OUTDOOR SURVEILLANCE CAMERA NETWORK. THE WAY THEY SEE IT, THE CAMERAS HELP FILL IN THE GAPS WHERE POLICE OFFICERS USED TO BE.NBC BAY AREA'S TRACI GRANT IS LIVE IN OAKLAND TO EXPLAIN HOW IT WORKS.IT APPEARS TO BE WORKING. TAKE A LOOK OVER HERE.THIS MONITOR SHOWS YOU THAT NO MATTER WHERE YOU STAND... INSIDE OR OUTSIDE THIS BUSINESS... YOU ARE UNDER SURVEILLANCE.SOME SAY THIS KIND OF OUTDOOR VIDEO SURVEILLANCE HAS OUICKLY SPREAD ACROSS CHINATOWN.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/26/10 REPORTED...

CROWDED INTO A HOTAL CORRIDOR.. THE LINE OF JOB SEEKERS WAS LONG, BUT HOPEFUL. AMONG THEM, LETICIA HERRERA. LOOKING FOR WORK IN AN ECONOMY THAT HAS - SO FAR - NOT GROWN FAST ENOUGH.NAT: JOB FAIR AT 10:00AND THEY'RE DOING THE FOOTWORK.. NETWORKING, TRYING TO FIND WHERE THE JOBS ARE.WELL, WE FOUND SOME RIGHT HERE .. UP THE ROAD IN SUNNYVALE, WHERE AQT SOLAR JUST OPENED A BRAND NEW FACILITY. NEW SOLAR SYSTEMS, NEW EQUIPMENT.. NEWJOBS.IT'S PART OF A RARE GROWTH AREA IN TODAY'S ECONOMY.SILICON VALLEY SOLAR COMPANIES.. PULLING IN TALENT FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE.NAT: AQTGROWTH HERE.. NAT: JOB FAIR.. TO HELP THOSE GATHERED HERE.

CONSUMER ISSUES

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/3/10 REPORTED...

COACH, PRADA, VERSACE AND EVEN NIKE. THEY MAY LOOK REAL ON THE SURFACE BUT ACCORDING TO U.S. ATTORNEY JOSEPH RUSSONIELLO, THEY ARE FAKE.IN DECEMBER 2007, AN ALERT CUSTOMERS INSPECTOR AT THE PORT OF OAKLAND, SAW A SUSPICIOUS CONTAINER. AUTHORITIES SAY IT CONTAINED 50 THOUSAND COUNTERFEIT DESIGNER ACCESSORIES WITH AN ESTIMATED VALUE OF MORE THAN 22 MILLION DOLLARS.THE RAIDS TOOK PLACE HERE IN SOUVENIR SHOPS IN THE FISHERMAN'S WHARF AREA ON BEACH, TAYLOR AND JEFFERSON STREETS.10 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN ARRESTED...ONE IS A FUGITIVE TONIGHT.THEY ARE ALL FACING SMUGGLING, COUNTERFEITING AND CONSPIRACY CHARGES. RENEE RIVERA VISITING SAN FRANCISCO FROM NEW MEXICO WITH HER FAMILY HAS THE SAME BAG BUT A REAL ONE.BUT DO CONSUMERS KNOW SELLING FAKES IS AGAINST THE LAW AND BUYING THEM IS A CRIME AS WELL. 11 PEOPLE INDICTED FOR SMUGGLING FAKES INTO THE U.S. FROM CHINA, MAY HAVE TO PAY THE PRICE IF CONVICTED OF THE CRIME.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/11/10 REPORTED...

THERE'S NEW EVIDENCE TONIGHT THE BAY AREA HOUSING MARKET MAY BE REBOUNDING A LITTLE -- HOME PRICES ARE RISING.FROM APRIL THROUGH JUNE, THE MEDIAN SALES PRICE FOR HOMES IN SAN FRANCISO, OAKLAND AND FREMONT WAS 591-THOUSAND DOLLARS ... UP 25-PERCENT FROM THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.THERE WAS A SIMILAR BOUNCEBACK IN SAN JOSE, SUNNYVALE AND SANTA CLARA WHERE THE MEDIAN IS 630-THOUSAND DOLLARS... UP 26-PERCENT.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/13/10 REPORTED...

THE LATEST BATTLEGROUND OF DEMOCRACY...THE INTERNET.DOZENS RALLIED OUTSIDE GOOGLE HEADQUARTERS THIS MORNING...PROTESTING THE COMPANY'S PROPOSED BUSINESS PLAN WITH VERIZON.PROTESTERS FEAR THE AGREEMENT WILL LEAD TO A *TIERED INTERNET* THAT WILL FREEZE OUT START-UPS AND THE AVERAGE CONSUMER.... AND END NET NEUTRALITY. GOOGLE REPRESENTATIVES STRESSED THE COMPANY'S COMMITTMENT TO AN OPEN INTERNET...THEY ARGUED...ONLINE...THAT A PROPOSAL LOCKING IN 'SOME' CONSUMER PROTECTIONS IS BETTER THAN NO PROTECTION AT ALL.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/13/10 REPORTED...

THE WAY OUR SOLDIERS COMMUNICATE IS ABOUT TO GET A LOT BETTER .. THANKS TO A SATELLITE .. MADE IN SILICON VALLEY.CELL PHONE CALLS WILL BE PROTECTED AGAINST DETECTION, AND INTERCEPTION .. WHILE SENDING MESSAGES FIVE TIMES FASTER THAN PREVIOUS SATELLITES .. THE NEW SATELLITE, CALLED ADVANCED E-H-F, IS MADE HERE BY LOCKHEED MARTIN .. IT REPLACES LOCKHEED'S MILSTAR SATELLITE AFTER NEARLY 15 YEARS OF SERVICE. SERVICE DEDICATED TO THE MILITARY, THAT ALSO MADE 'OUR' CELL PHONE, TV, AND GPS RECEPTION BETTER ALONG THE WAY.IT'S TECHNOLOGY SO EFFICIENT, IT CAN DO THE JOB OF 5 OF THE PREVIOUS SATELLITES.BUT THERE ARE MORE ON THE WAY .. PART OF A LONG-TERM RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE EMPLOYEES OF LOCKHEEDMARTIN, AND THE AMERICAN MILITARY.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/16/10 REPORTED...

IN ONE AISLE OF THIS TARGET STORE, YOU'L LFIND THE CHOWS LOADING UP FOR THE START OF SCHOOL...WITH A TIGHTER BUDGET THIS YEAR. IN ANOTHER AISLE...THE STRAND KIDS ARE LEFT WITH THE TOUGH CHOICE OF WHICH BACKPACK TO GET FOR THE FIRST DAY OF CLASS. TARGET SAYS BACK TO SCHOOL SHOPPING IS NOW ABOUT AS BIG AS HOLIDAY SHOPPING, WITH PARENTS AND TEACHERS FORCED TO OPEN THEIR WALLETS BY DWINDLLING SCHOOL BUDGETS.JENNIFER THOMAS TEACHES FRESHMEN AT SAN JOSE'S LINCOLN HIGH.THE ENGLISH TEACHER SPENDS 5 TO 600 OF HER OWN DOLLARS EVERY YEAR ON SCHOOL SUPPLIES....AND IN HER CLASS, SCHOOL SUPPLIES INCLUDE FOOD.THE CALIFORNA TEACHERS ASSOCIATIOON SAYS TEACHERS SPEND AN AVERAGE OF A THOUSAND DOLLARS A YEAR ON SUPPLIES.... MONEY THEY HAVE TO COME UP WITH. TRIPS TO THE STORE FOR ITEMS SCHOOLS CAN NO LONGER AFFORD TO GIVE THE CHILDREN.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/17/10 REPORTED...

CAROL KELLER SAYS IT ALL HAPPENED AFTER USING HER DEBIT CARD AT THIS ARCO GAS STATION IN MILL VALLEY.KELLER SAYS LUCKILY NO ONE STOLE HER MONEY BUT THEY OPENED HER EYES TO THE POTENTIAL DANGERS OF PAYING AT THE GAS PUMP.CARL CHAPMAN OF THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA COMPUTER CRIMES TASK FORCE SAYS IT'S HAPPENING EVERY DAY.MORE THAN 200 PEOPLE WERE VICTIMS IN A RECENT GAS PUMP CARD SKIMMING SCAM IN THE BAY AREA.CHAPMAN SAYS AT SEVERAL ARCO AND 7-11 GAS STATIONS...THIEVEMANAGED TO GET PAST THE LOCKS ON THE PUMPS AND PLACED DEVICES INSIDE.CHAPMAN SAYS SINCE YOU CAN'T SEE THE SKIMMERS...THERE ARE OTHER THINGS YOU CAN DO TO INCREASE YOUR SECURITY.DON'T THINK THAT BECAUSE YOU'RE PUTTING IN A ZIPCODE INSTEAD OF A PIN THAT YOU'RE SAFER.THE THIEVES CAN STILL MAKE A DUPLICATE OF YOUR CARD AND USE IT STRICTLY FOR CREDIT.HE SAYS SOME GAS STATIONS ARE INSTALLING SINGLE POINT PAY STATIONS...JUST ONE SPOT WHERE EVERYONE LINES UP TO PAY WHICH MAKES FOR A MORE SECURE SYSTEM.CHAPMAN ALSO SAYS STAY AWAY FROM THE PUMPS THAT AREN'T WITHIN DIRECT VIEW OF THE GAS STATION ATTENDANT...THAT'S WHERE THIEVES ALWAYS PLACE THE SKIMMERS.THIS ARCO STATION IS ENCOURAGING ANOTHER OPTION MANY DON'T CONSIDER ANYMORE...THE FAIL SAFE...CASH.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, FAMILY, ELDERLY, MEN & WOMEN

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/1/10 REPORTED...

A SACRAMENTO COUPLE ARE IN JAIL TONIGHT AFTER REPORTEDLY CHAINING UP THEIR CHILD, SO THEY COULD GO OUT GAMBLING. INVESTIGATORS SAY THE 13-YEAR OLD ESCAPED HIS HOME LAST NIGHT. WITNESSES SAY HE WAS HANDCUFFED, WEARING A CHAIN AROUND HIS NECK, AND HAD PADLOCKED CHAINS ON BOTH ANKLES. THE TEENAGER SAID HIS FATHER AND STEPMOTHER CHAINED HIM TO THE KITCHEN TABLE, BUT HE WAS ABLE TO GET FREE. HE IS NOW WITH HIS BIOLOGICAL MOTHER. THE PAIR HAVE BEEN CHARGED WITH FALSE IMPRISONMENT AND CRUELTY TO A CHILD.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/5/10 REPORTED...

THERE'S A SURGE IN TEENS SEEKING MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING AT PENNINSULA SCHOOLS. THE NON PROFIT, "ADOLESCENT COUNSELING SERVICES" LAUNCHED AN INTENSE CAMPAIGN FOLLOWING A RECENT STRING OF TEEN SUICIDES IN PALO ALTO... MOST AT ONE LOCAL RAILROAD CROSSING. AND THE AGENCY SAYS IT'S GOOD NEWS TO SEE MORE KIDS OPENING UP. IT PROVIDED ABOUT 500 MORE ON-CAMPUS COUNSELING SESSIONS THIS MOST RECENT SCHOOL YEAR. SCHOOLS ALSO SAW A 22-PERCENT INCREASE IN STUDENTS WHO ADMITTED TO COUNSELORS IN PRE-TREATMENT ANALYSES THAT THEY'VE HAD THOUGHT ABOUT SUICIDE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/08/10 REPORTED...

DIANE, THE WOMANS NAME IS CHRISTINE HUBBS.ACCORDING TO HER FACEBOOK PROFILE SHE IS MARRIED WITH THREE KIDS ALL UNDER THE AGE OF THIRTEEN.THIRTEEN, BY THE WAY, IS AGE THESE TWO ALLEGED VICTIMS WERE WHEN THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH HUBBS STARTED.POLICE SAY THEY BECAME AWARE OF THIS A LITTLE OVER A WEEK AGO ... THEY SAY AN ADULT WALKED INTO POLICE HEADQUARTERS HOLDING ONE OF THE BOYS CELL PHONES.THE ADULT HAD SEEN A SEXUALLY EXPLICIT PHOTO ON IT ... SENT BY HUBBS.THIS IS THE STORY POLICE SAY UNFOLDED BEFORE THEM:THEY SAY HUBBS KNEW THESE BOYS FAMILIES, THAT'S HOW THEY MET.SHE WOULD ARRANGE MEETINGS WITH EITHER ONE OR THE OTHER ... DRIVE THEM SOMEWHERE ELSE TO HAVE SEX.HUBBS ALSO SENT THEM NUDE PICTURES AND SEXUALLY EXPLICIT TEXTS TO THEIR PHONES.SHE ALLEGEDLY BOUGHT THEM DINNER, GIFTS, VIDEO GAMES.NOW HUBBS HAS GOTTEN A LAWYER AND ISN'T TALKING TO POLICE ... SO MOST OF THIS INFORMATION COMES FROM INTERVIEWS WITH THE BOYS.IN ALL HUBBS FACES SIXTY SEVEN FELONY COUNTS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT.SHE IS BEING HELD RIGHT NOW ON FOUR POINT THREE MILLION DOLLARS BAIL.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/10/10 REPORTED...

A NEW STUDY SAYS CHILD CARE NOW COSTS PARENTS MORE THAN COLLEGE TUITION. IN FACT -- THE COST OF CHILD CARE FOR THE YOUNGEST CHILDREN INCREASED TWICE AS FAST AS FAMILY INCOME. IN HALF OF ALL OF THE STATES, IT FAR OUTPACED THE RATE OF INFLATION. RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SUGGEST PARENTS SPEND NO MORE THAN 10 PERCENT OF THEIR FAMILY INCOME ON CHILD CARE. BUT IN 36 STATES, THE COST OF CHILD CARE EXCEEDS 10 PERCENT OF THE MEDIAN INCOME FOR MARRIED COUPLES. FOR SINGLE PARENTS, THE COST EXCEEDS THE MEDIAN INCOME IN EVERY STATE. THE RESEARCH WAS DONE BY THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHILD CARE RESOURCE REFERRAL AGENCIES.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/17/10 REPORTED...

A 15 YEAR OLD BOY IS KILLED DURING AN ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING WITH HIS BROTHER. TONIGHT OAKLAND POLICE ARE WORKING TO FIGURE OUT WHO OWNED THE GUN INVOLVED. THE SHOOTING HAPPENED AROUND 7:45 AT A WEST OAKLAND HOME. THE 13 YEAR OLD BROTHER WITNESSED THE SHOOTING. HE WAS NOT HURT.POLICE SAY THE BOYS AUNT DID NOT OWN THE GUN. SO FAR NO CHARGES HAVE BEEN FILED.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/25/10 REPORTED...

DAY-56 WITHOUT A STATE BUDGET -- AND CALIFORNIA'S LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ARE PAYING THE PRICE-LITERALLY. THE STATE GOVERNMENT'S DECISION TO DELAY NEARLY THREE-BILLION DOLLARS FOR CITIES AND COUNTIES HAS A NORTHERN CALIFORNIA REHAB PROGRAM ASKING STORES AND RESTAURANTS FOR FOOD DONATIONS-- --OTHERWISE IT CAN'T STAY OPEN. "MI CASA" IS A NON-PROFIT ALCOHOL TREATMENT CENTER IN SOUTH SACRAMENTO WITH 18 PATIENTS. WITH NO STATE BUDGET, THE CENTER'S PANTRY IS EMPTY. SO FAR, LOCAL BUSINESSES ARE HELPING TO KEEP THE FOOD COMING. ...BUT THE PROGRAM'S ADMINISTRATORS SAY THE STATE'S BUDGET STALLING IS AN EMBARRASSMENT.

CRIMES-FEDERAL/STATE/LOCAL, LAW & LAW ENFORCEMENT

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/1/10 REPORTED...

WE JUST HEARD FROM POLICE... AND THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT NO ONE SUFFERED SERIOUS INJURIES. BUT THAT DRIVER DID QUITE A BIT OF DAMAGE...AND TERRIFIED PEOPLE IN A QUIET DANVILLE NEIGHBORHOOD EARLIER TODAY. THIS ALL UNFOLDED AT ABOUT TEN O'CLOCK THIS MORNING. WE UNDERSTAND THE DRIVER... IDENTIFIED AS 23-YEAR-OLD Cainan Schierholtz... WAS BEHIND THE WHEEL OF A RED DODGE PICK UP TRUCK AND WAS DRIVING RECKLESSLY. HE EXITED INTERSTATE 680 AT EL CERRO BLVD... AND WHEN HE REACHED THE INTERSECTION OF EL CERRO AND DANVILLE BLVD... HE HIT A BICYCLIST.HE THEN PROCEDED DOWN DANVILLE BLVD... HITTING A PEDESTRIAN... A LIGHT POLE... AND AT LEAST TWO VEHICLES. DESPITE THE FACT HIS AIR BAG HAD DEPLOYED... THE DRIVER CONTINUED ON HIS RAMPAGE.THAT'S WHEN NEIGHBORS APPARENTLY BANDED TOGETHER TO STOP THE DRIVER WE'RE TOLD BY A WITNESS THAT ONE MAN BLOCKED

THE STREET WITH HIS TRUCK... MAKING A ROAD BLOCK... SO THE DRIVER HAD TO STOP.AND WHEN HE DID... SEVERAL PEOPLE WRESTLED THE DRIVER TO THE GROUND... AND HELD HIM DOWN UNTIL POLICE ARRIVED. AGAIN... WE UNDERSTAND NONE OF THOSE HURT SUFFERED LIFE-THREATENING INJURIES. THE 23-YEAR-OLD DRIVER IS BEING HELD ON 350 THOUSAND DOLLARS BAIL... AND HE IS FACING A LONG LIST OF CHARGES.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/14/10 REPORTED...

A 38 YEAR OLD MAN IS IN CUSTODY... AND FACES CHARGES OF VEHICULAR MANSLAUGHTER.HE WAS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY ABOUT TWO BLOCKS FROM HERE AFTER WITNESSES CALLED IN A DESCRIPTION OF THE CAR.THOSE WITNESSES TOLD POLICE THEY SAW A 1989 MERCEDES HIT THE CYLIST ON MASONIC... AS BOTH THE BIKE AND THE CAR WERE TRAVELING SOUTH.THE DRIVER... WHO HAS NOT BEEN IDENTIFIED... APPARENTLY KEPT GOING... BUT WAS LATER ARRESTED NEAR TAMALPAIS TERRACE AND TURK STREET... WHERE THE CAR WAS PARKED.THE CYCLIST DID NOT SURVIVE HIS INJURIES.HIS NAME HAS NOT BEEN RELEASED EITHER.HE HAS ONLY BEEN IDENTIFIED AS A 21 YEAR OLD MAN. WE TALKED TO A GROUP OF CYCLISTS HERE JUST A SHORT TIME AGO... WHO TOLD US THEY OFTEN FEEL UNSAFE RIDING THEIR BIKES IN THE CITY.MASONIC IS A BUSY NORTH TO SOUTH THOROUGHFARE IN THE CITY... AND FELL AND MASONIC... WHICH IS A COUPLE OF BLOCKS UP THE STREET... IS LISTED AS A DANGEROUS INTERSECTION FOR BICYCLISTS... ON THE SAN FRANCISCO BIKE COALITION'S WEBSITE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/17/10 REPORTED...

POLICE ONCE AGAIN WILL BE ON THE WATCH FOR DRIVERS WHO USE THEIR CELL PHONES. LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ACROSS THE BAY AREA ARE JOINING FORCES TOMORROW FOR PART TWO OF A "ZERO TOLERANCE" CAMPAIGN ... AGAINST DRIVERS WHO IGNORE CELL PHONE LAWS.LAST WEEK'S CRACKDOWN PRODUCED ABOUT 900 CITATIONS.MORE THAN 440 OF THEM WERE ISSUED IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY ALONE.POLICE IN SAN JOSE AND THE CHP IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, REPORTED THE MOST CITATIONS.SIX OF THE TRAFFIC STOPS LED TO THE ARRESTS OF DRIVERS WITH SUSPENDED LICENSES, OR WHO WERE DRIVING WITHOUT LICENSES.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/26/10 REPORTED...

FRICK MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK COACH KERMIT BAYLESS SHOWED US MEDALS 13 YEAR OLD JIMON CLARK HAS AT HOME.HE CAN'T BELIEVE HIS FORMER STUDENTS WAS GUNNED DOWN ON THE STREET. CLARK'S FUTURE TURNED TRAGIC LAST NIGHT AT 61ST AND BANCROFT AVENUE.POLICE SAY HE AND A FRIEND WERE WALKING DOWN THE STREET AROUND 9:30 LAST NIGHT.SOMEONE APPROACED AND OPENED FIRE, KILLING CLARK.CLARK'S FAMILY GATHERED AT THE SPOT HE WAS KILLED. THE OAKLAND POLICE UNION BELIEVES MORE POLICE OFFICERS ON THE STREET COULD HELP STOP SOME OF THIS VIOLENCE. UNION OFFICIALS RELEASING INFORMATION LAST NIGHT, THAT VIOLENT CRIME SHOT UP 9% SINCE 80 COPS WERE LET GO LAST MONTH

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/27/10 REPORTED...

BREAKING NEWS...THIS PICTURE *JUST INTO THE NEWSROOM OF A FELON IN HIS GETAWAY CAR... A CAR HE STOLE AT GUNPOINT MOMENTS AFTER HE SHOT A POLICE OFFICER...THE OFFICER IS EXPECTED TO SURVIVE.THIS IS THE SUSPECT -- 20-YEAR-OLD ANDREW BARRIENTOS.HE WAS LAST SEEN DRIVING THAT GREEN MAZDA SEDANTHE SHOOTING HAPPENED ON AUSEON AVENUE... JUST WEST OF BANCROFT THE CARJACKING, MINUTES LATER ,JUST A FEW BLOCKS AWAY .WE HAVE LIVE TEAM COVERAGE -- TRACI GRANT IS AT HIGHLAND HOSPITAL.BUT WE BEGIN WITH GEORGE KIRIYAMA LIVE WITH NEW INFORMATION FROM OAKLAND POLICE GEORGE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/27/10 REPORTED...

AGAIN, WHAT WE KNOW RIGHT NOW:THAT FREMONT OFFICER IS STILL IN SURGERY AT HIGHLAND HOSPITAL IN OAKLAND.HE WAS SHOT IN THE LOWER TORSO - LATE THIS AFTERNOON WHILE TRYING TO CAPTURE A WANTED FELON. THE SUSPECT HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS 20-YEAR OLD ANDREW BARRIENTOS.HE'S 5-FOOT, 7-INCHES TALL AND WEIGHS AROUND 240-POUNDS.HE HAS THE WORD DECOTO TATTOOED ON HIS NECK, AND THE WORDS DECOTO GANGSTER TATTOED ON HIS FOREARM.HE WAS SPOTTED THIS AFTERNOON IN A STOLEN, GREEN MAZDA SEDAN:CALIFORNIA LICENSE PLATE 4-M-J-E-5-4-8.HE IS CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.POLICE WANT YOU TO CALL THEM IF YOU SEE THIS CAR, OR KNOW WHERE ANDREW BARRIENTOS

DIVERSITY

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/6/10 REPORTED...

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN NEARLY A CENTURY, A WOMAN WILL BE THE U-S ATTORNEY FOR NORTHERN CALIFORNIA.MELINDA HAAG WILL SUCCEED JOSEPH RUSSONIELLO;...SHE WILL PROBABLY TAKE OVER NEXT WEEK...THE LAST WOMAN TO HOLD THE JOB LEFT OFFICE IN 1920.HAAG IS A WHITE COLLAR CRIME SPECIALIST WHO IS A PARTNER AT THE SAN FRANCISCO LAW FIRM ORRICK, HARRINGTON AND SUTCLIFF.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/11/10 REPORTED...

THIS STRETCH OF SCOTT BLVD IN SANTA CLARA IS CLASSIC LIGHT INDUSTRIAL ... SILICON VALLEY STYLE. BLOCK AFTER BLOCK OF ONE AND TWO STORY BUILDINGS ... LATE TWENTIETH CENTURY ARCHITECTURE. IN FACT THE HOME OF THE MUSLIM COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION FITS RIGHT IN, AS IT WAS ONE TIME OWNED BY HEWLETT PACKARD.BUT A SIXTY FOUR FOOT MINARET ON TOP THIS MOSQUE AND SCHOOL ... WOULD CERTAINLY BE A CHANGE ... AND THAT, IS EXACTLY WHAT'S BOTHERING TOM SCOTT. SCOTT IS THE NEIGHBOR

WHO FILED THE APPEAL TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MINARET. HE IS AWARE OF WHAT'S GOING ON IN NEW YORK ... WHERE A PROPOSED MOSQUE NEAR GROUND ZERO HAS SPARKED A PASSIONATE ... NATIONWIDE CONTROVERSY. STILL ... HE DECIDED TO GET INVOLVED. SCOTT SAYS WHAT HE IS NOT CONCERNED ABOUT IS THE PRESENCE OF THE MOSQUE ... IT HAS BEEN HERE FOR FIFTEEN YEARS. AND WHILE THERE HAVE BEEN ISSUES IN THE PAST WITH TRAFFIC AND PARKING ... SCOTT SAYS THEY'VE WORKED THROUGH THEM. SCOTT SAYS HE WOULD OPPOSE A SIXTY FOOT CHURCH STEEPLE IF THAT WERE THE PLAN. THE APPLICATION TO THE CITY FOR THE MINARET SAYS THE PURPOSE OF THE MINARET IS TO POINT OUT"THE "PRESENCE OF THE MOSQUE AND HIGHLIGHT LOCATION OF MAIN ENTRANCE."WHEN ASKED TODAY, THOUGH, MOSQUE DIRECTORS SAID THEY'D RATHER NOT DO INTERVIEWS ABOUT THE

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/12/10 REPORTED...

HERE WAS CHEERING ON THE STEPS OF SAN FRANCISCO'S CITY HALL.....

AND A SENSE OF RELIEF FOR COUPLES, LINING UP OUTSIDE THE COUNTY CLERKS OFFICE... FILING PAPERS FOR A MARRIAGE LICENSE.JUDGE WALKER'S DECISION TO LIFT THE STAY ON GAY MARRIAGE, BUT NOT ALLOW IT TO HAPPEN UNTIL NEXT WEEK, BROUGHT RELIEF FOR SOME, EVEN THROUGH THEY HAVE TO WAIT. BY NOON TODAY, THERE WERE OVER 35 COUPLES LINED UP TO GET THEIR MARRIAGE LICENSE INSIDE CITY HALL.CLOSE TO 200 PEOPLE GATHERED OUTSIDE. SAME SEX MARRIAGE SUPPORTERS OUT NUMBERED THOSE WHO SUPPORT MARRIAGE ONLY BETWEEN MAN AND A WOMAN. PROP 8 SUPPORTERS WE TALKED TO TODAY ARE DISAPPOINTED IN THE JUDGES DECISION.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/14/10 REPORTED...

IN OAKLAND ... SUPPORTERS OF OSCAR GRANT ... GATHERED TODAY ... TO CREATE A MURAL IN HIS HONOR.IT WAS PART OF A DAY OF COMMUNITY SERVICE AT MOSSWOOD PARK AT BROADWAY AND MACARTHUR.THE MURAL IS MADE OUT OF RIBBONS... SAID TO REPRESENT PRAYERS FOR OSCAR GRANT AND HIS FAMILY.ORGANIZERS SAY IT DIDN'T MATTER IF THE PARTICIPANTS LIVED IN OAKLAND ... IT WAS ALL ABOUT MAKING OAKLAND A BETTER CITY FOR PEOPLE TO LIVE IN ... AND VISIT. THE EVENT WAS SPONSORED BY THE "ELLA BAKER CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS."

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/15/10 REPORTED...

THERE ARE AN ESTIMATED 28 THOUSAND PAKISTANI AMERICANS WHO LIVE HERE IN THE BAY AREA... AND MANY OF THEM HAVE FAMILY MEMBERS IN PAKISTAN... WHO ARE DEALING FIRST HAND WITH THIS CRISIS.AFTER SURVEYING THE DAMAGE... TODAY THE U-N SECRETARY GENERAL BAN KI-MOON SAID HE HAS NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THE FLOOD DISASTER IN PAKISTAN.HE IS ASKING THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO HELP WITH RELIEF EFFORTS. THE REPORTED DEATH TOLL STANDS AT 15 HUNDRED... BUT THE NUMBER THAT'S STAGGERING IS THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE DISPLACED BY THE FLOODS WHICH BEGAN MORE THAN TWO WEEKS AGO.PAKISTAN'S PRIME MINISTER SAID YESTERDAY THAT 20 MILLION PEOPLE HAVE BEEN LEFT HOMELESS. AND THERE ARE NOW CONCERNS ABOUT THE SPREAD OF DISEASES SUCH AS CHOLERA.WE JUST SPOKE TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF SAN FRANCISCO... WHO TOLD US HE HAS FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS IN PAKISTAN... WHO HAVE LOST THEIR HOMES. SAID SEVERAL LOCAL MOSQUES... INCLUDING ONE HERE IN RICHMOND... ARE THREE OTHERS IN SAN FRANCISCO... ARE COLLECTING MONEY AND SUPPLIES TO HELP FLOOD VICTIMS. AND SO FAR HAVE COLLECTED ONLY ABOUT TWO THOUSAND

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/16/10 REPORTED...

LOTS OF PEOPLE HERE IN THE CASTRO ARE FOLLOWING THIS CASE CLOSELY.

WORD OF THE LATEST DECISION IS SPREADING.JUST LAST WEEK DOZENS OF SAME SEX COUPLES LINED UP AT CITY HALL IN SAN FRANCISCO HOPING FOR CHANCE TO SAY I DO AFTER A FEDERAL COURT RULED PROP 8 WAS UNCONSTITIONAL.BUT MARRIAGES WERE HALTED UNTIL THIS WEDNESDAY TO GIVE THE 9TH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS TIME TO CONSIDER APPEALS.A 3 JUDGE PANEL FROM THE COURT ACTED THIS AFTERNOON.AGAIN PUTTING THE MARRIAGES ON HOLD.THIS TIME UNTIL DECEMBER.. WHEN A HEARING IS NOW SCHEUDLED. IT'S A DELAY SOME PEOPLE ARE TAKING IN STRIDE. MANY BELIEVE.. SINCE A FEDERAL JUDGE RULED THE MARRIAGE BAN IS UNCONSTITIONAL IT'S JUST A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE SAME SEX MARRIAGES ARE ALLOWED.SUPPORTERS SAY THE COURTS SCHEDULE WILL ACTUALLY SPEED UP THIS LONG LEGAL PROCESS.IN DECEMBER THE 9TH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS WILL CONSIDER JUDGE VAUGHN WALKERS RULING THAT PROP 8 WAS UNCONSTITUTIONAL. AND IT IS ASKING PROP 8 SUPPORTERS TO PROVE THEY HAVE STANDING IN THE CASE.THAT MEANS PROP 8 SUPPORTERS MUST SHOW THE COURT SAME SEX MARRIAGES ARE HARMING THEM. A POINT JUDGE VAUGHAN WALKER RULED THEY WERE UNABLE TO PROVE. THIS AFTERNOON PROP 8 SUPPORTERS ARE PLEASED THE 9TH CIRCUIT HAS CONTINUED THE STAY.SAYING SAME SEX MARRIAGES ARE AGAIN ON HOLD IN CALIFORNIA. UNTIL THE 9TH CIRCUIT HOLDS A HEARING IN DECEMBER.THIS CASE COULD OF COURSE BE APPEALED TO THE U-S SUPREME COURT.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/16/10 REPORTED...

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENED WITH GAY MARRIAGE IN JUST THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS. IN MAY OF 2008: THE CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT OVERTURNED THE SAME-SEX MARRIAGE BAN.ON NOVEMBER FOURTH OF THAT SAME YEAR-- PROP 8-- A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO BAN GAY MARRIAGE PASSED. ON JANUARY 11-TH OF THIS YEAR-- A FEDERAL TRIAL TO OVERTURN PROP EIGHT BEGAN.ON AUGUST FOURTH-- U-S DISTRICT JUDGE VAUGHN WALKER RULED PROP EIGHT IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL, BUT ISSUED A STAY. JUDGE WALKER LIFTED THAT STAY LAST WEEK, WHICH WOULD HAVE ALLOWED COUNTY CLERKS TO BEGIN ISSUING MARRIAGE LICENSES ON WEDNESDAY -- UNTIL TODAY'S RULING.

EDUCATION

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/14/10 REPORTED...

SOME OAKLAND SCHOOLS RECEIVED A BIT OF A MAKEOVER TODAY, THANKS TO VOLUNTEERS. COMMUNITY MEMBERS CAME TOGETHER TO PULL WEEDS, REVAMP PLAYGROUNDS, AND GENERALLY CLEAN UP SEVERAL SCHOOLS.GROUPS STARTED OUT AT MANZANITA ELEMENTARY... AND THEN FANED OUT TO OAKLAND HIGH SCHOOL, WESTLAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL, HORACE MANN ELEMENTARY, AND TILDEN ELEMENTARY. THE PROJECT WAS A COLABORATION BETWEEN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE "MCCARTHY BUILDING COMPANY," WHICH HAS A "TOOLS FOR SCHOOLS" PROGRAM.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/15/10 REPORTED...

THE STALEMATE AT THE STATE CAPITOL ... IS CREATING UNCERTAINTY FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS ... TRYING TO BALANCE THEIR OWN BOOKS.BUT A FEDERAL BILL THE PRESIDENT SIGNED LAST WEEK ... SHOULD HELP A BIT. THE EMERGENCY LEGISLATION PROVIDES A TOTAL OF 10 BILLION DOLLARS ... TO STATES... AND CALIFORNIA IS EXPECTED TO RECIEVE ONE-POINT- TWO BILLION.. WHICH THE GOVERNMENT SAYS WILL SAVE OR CREATE 16-THOUSAND EDUCATION JOBS IN CALIFORNIA. THE ADMINISTRATION IS SET TO BEGIN DISTRIBUTING THE MONEY LATER THIS MONTH ... AND WANTS SCHOOLS TO RE-HIRE TEACHERS FOR THIS SCHOOL YEAR -- WHICH AS WE JUST LEARNED FROM RIA - WILL BE A LITTLE LATE. THE JOBS BILL IS DESIGNED TO PREVENT WIDESPREAD LAYOFFS OF TEACHERS AND OTHER PUBLIC EMPLOYEE.... BUT CRITICS CALL IT AN ELECTION-YEAR GIVEAWAY TO PUBLIC EMPLOYEE UNIONS.... THAT ARE LONGTIME DEMOCRATIC SUPPORTERS

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/16/10 REPORTED...

IN ONE AISLE OF THIS TARGET STORE, YOU'L LFIND THE CHOWS LOADING UP FOR THE START OF SCHOOL...WITH A TIGHTER BUDGET THIS YEAR. IN ANOTHER AISLE...THE STRAND KIDS ARE LEFT WITH THE TOUGH CHOICE OF WHICH BACKPACK TO GET FOR THE FIRST DAY OF CLASS. TARGET SAYS BACK TO SCHOOL SHOPPING IS NOW ABOUT AS BIG AS HOLIDAY SHOPPING, WITH PARENTS AND TEACHERS FORCED TO OPEN THEIR WALLETS BY DWINDLLING SCHOOL BUDGETS. JENNIFER THOMAS TEACHES FRESHMEN AT SAN JOSE'S LINCOLN HIGH. THE ENGLISH TEACHER SPENDS 5 TO 600 OF HER OWN DOLLARS EVERY YEAR ON SCHOOL SUPPLIES....AND IN HER CLASS, SCHOOL SUPPLIES INCLUDE FOOD. THE CALIFORNA TEACHERS ASSOCIATIOON SAYS TEACHERS SPEND AN AVERAGE OF A THOUSAND DOLLARS A YEAR ON SUPPLIES.... MONEY THEY HAVE TO COME UP WITH. TRIPS TO THE STORE FOR ITEMS SCHOOLS CAN NO LONGER AFFORD TO GIVE THE CHILDREN.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/16/10 REPORTED...

CLOSE TO 80 PRINCIPALS AND ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS TAKING THAT CARING SPIRIT ON A BUS TOUR OF WEST OAKLAND.SURVIVAL IS KEY FOR SOME OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENTS. TEST SCORES ARE IMPROVING FOR SOME BUT ... THERE'S A CONSTANT STRUGGLE IN MATH AND ENGLISH FOR OTHERS. SO HOW DO YOU FIX THE PROBLEM?THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S NEW SUPERINTENDENT TONY SMITH BELIEVES IT WILL HELP IF PRINCIPALS CAN EXPERIENCE WHERE SOME OF THEIR STUDENTS LIVE...IT'S CALLED THE REGIONAL MODEL FOR LEARNING.....IN THESE TOUGH ECONOMIC TIMES.SAM PASAROW IS A PRINCIPAL IN NORTH OAKLAND. HE LIVES IN OAKLAND BUT ADMITS ...GARBAGE IN DE FREMERY PARK...A 100 YEAR OLD LANDMARK PROVIDED SOME SHOCKING MOMENTS FOR HIM ANOTHER OBSERVER NOTICED THERE ARE NO GROCERY STORES IN WEST OAKLAND...BUT EVERY WHERE YOU TURN...THERE IS A LIQUOR STORE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/1710 REPORTED...

THE 2011 COLLEGE RANKING ARE OUT.. WITH HARVARD TOPPING THE LIST AND PRINCETON CLOSE BEHIND. THE RANKINGS LOOKED SEVERAL FACTORS INCLUDING S-A-T SCORES AND ALUMNI DONATIONS ... BUT THIS YEAR MORE WEIGHT WAS GIVEN TO GRADUATION RATES. YALE CAME IN AT NUMBER THREE...FOLLOWED BY COLUMBIA. STANFORD AND U-PENN TIED FOR FIFTH. U-C BERKELEY WAS RANKED NUMBER TWENTY-TWO... HIGHEST AMONG PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTRY, DESPITE A SEVERE BUDGET CRISIS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/26/10 REPORTED...

YOU'VE PROBABLY HEARD PROTESTERS SAY IT BEFORE. "HECK NO, WE WON'T GO. "THAT'S WHAT SOME COMMUNITY ACTIVISTS...PARENTS AND TEACHERS ARE SAYING ABOUT THESE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTERS AND THE PLAN TO SHOW JUST HOW SERIOUS THEY ARE ABOUT IT.OAKLAND UNIFIED DISTRICT HAS SAID FOR THE LAST FEW MONTHS THAT STATE EDUCATION CUTBACKS CAUSED THEM TO MAKE THE TOUGH DECISION TO SHUT DOWN THESE FACILITIES DESIGNED TO CARE FOR AND PROVIDE EARLY EDUCATION FOR LOW INCOME AND MINORITY CHILDREN. THE AXE WAS SUPPOSED TO COME DOWN IN JUNE BUT THE DISTRICT MANAGED TO FIND MONEY TO KEEP THE CENTERS OPEN THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER...BUT NOW TOMORROW IS SUPPOSED TO BE THE LAST DAY. A COMMUNITY ACTIVIST GROUP IS WORKING TO GET PARENTS... TEACHERS AND STUDENTS TO CONTINUE TO OCCUPY THESE BUILDINGS INSTEAD OF TURNING OVER THE KEYS TO THE DISTRICT LIKE HINTIL KUU KA CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER DID IN THE EAST OAKLAND HILLS. TEACHERS ARE STILL PACKING UP THEIR STUFF. SOME OF THEM SAY THEY STILL HAVE HOPE. SHUTTING DOWN THE CENTERS MAY AFFECT UP TO 800 KIDS. SOME PARENTS HAVE SAID THEY MIGHT HAVE TO QUIT THEIR JOBS BECAUSE THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO AFFORD DAY CARE WHEN THE CENTERS CLOSE.

ENVIRONMENT

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/3/10 REPORTED...

GOING AFTER PLASTIC BAGS EVERYWHERE ...A NEW PROPOSAL TO EXPAND THE PLASTIC BAG BAN IN SAN FRANCISCO, COULD MAKE THAT QUESTION A THING OF THE PAST. THREE YEARS AGO, THE CITY BANNED SINGLE USE PLASTIC BAGS AT LARGE SUPERMARKETS AND CHAIN DRUGSTORES. NOW, SUPERVISOR ROSS MIRKARIMI WANTS TO EXPAND THE BAN TO ALL RETAILERS, INCLUDING HARDWARE STORES, BOOKSHOPS AND DEPARTMENT STORES. THE BAN CONTAINS SEVERAL EXCEPTIONS, INCLUDING PLASTIC BAGS USED FOR GARMETS OR PRODUCE. IF PASSED, THE BAN WOULD TAKE EFFECT IN MARCH OF NEXT YEAR.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/14/10 REPORTED...

DIANE..THIS ISN'T YOUR TYPICAL WILDLIFE RESCUE CENTER. IT'S OPERATED OUT OF A HOME HERE IN THE OAKLAND HILLS. IT IS CERTIFIED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME AND IS ZONED FOR A HOME BUSINESS... BUT IT'S ALSO A RENTAL PROPERTY. LILA TRAVIS... THE DIRECTOR OF YGGDRASIL (IGG-DRAY-ZILL) URBAN WILDLIFE RESCUE CENTER SAYS THEY'VE BEEN EVICTED AND ASKED TO LEAVE BY MID SEPTEMBER. THE LANDLORD IS TAKING THE PROPERTY OFF THE RENTAL MARKET. TRAVIS SAYS THEY'RE DEVASTATED. THEY HAD PLANNED ON BEING HERE FOR YEARS TO COME. THE CENTER NOW HAS 65 ANIMALS ON THE PROPERTY AND TAKES IN ABOUT 600 WILD ANIMALS A YEAR THAT HAVE BEEN INJURED OR ORPHANED. MOST OF THESE ANIMALS ARE ONES THAT LOCAL CITY SHELTERS DON'T TAKE IN AND IF YGGDRASIL IS FORCED TO SHUT DOWN..MANY OF THE ANIMALS WOULD HAVE TO BE EUTHANIZED. TRAVIS IS HOPING IT WON'T COME TO THAT

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/14/10 REPORTED...

A BLACK BEAR CUB IN FLORIDA ... IS LIKELY THANKFUL... TO BE ABLE TO TAKE A BREATH OF FRESH AIR TONIGHT.LATE LAST MONTH.... THIS BEAR CUB WAS SPOTTED IN MARION COUNTY.... WITH A PLASTIC JAR STUCK ON ITS HEAD. AFTER 10 DAYS AND SEVERAL ATTEMPTS AT CATCHING THE CUB... BIOLOGISTS WITH FLORIDA'S FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION.... FINALLY CAUGHT THE CUB....AND REMOVED THE JAR. OFFICIALS SAY THE CUB, NOW KNOWN AS "JARHEAD".. PROBABLY GOT STUCK IN THE JAR BY RUMMAGING THROUGH TRASH CONTAINERS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/16/10 REPORTED...

SEA OTTER NUMBERS ARE PLUMMETING IN CALIFORNIA-- AND NOBODY'S SURE WHY.A U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY STUDY COUNTED 27-HUNDRED OTTERS ALONG THE CALIFORNIA COAST.THATS A 3.6-PERCENT DECLINE FROM LAST YEAR.EVEN MORE DISTURBING... THE 11-PERCENT DROP IN THE NUMBER OF OTTER PUPS COMPARED WITH LAST YEAR.EXPERTS SAY THE CULPRIT COULD BE CLIMATE CHANGE, A PREDATOR, POLLUTION, DWINDLING FOOD -- OR LIKELY A COMBINATION OF FACTORS.TAKE LATEST AWAY AFTER "COMBINATION OF FACTORS"THIS ISN'T THE FIRST TIME SEA OTTERS HAVE HIT ROUGH WATERS.OTTERS WERE HUNTED TO NEAR EXTINCITON FOR THEIR FUR.SINCE THEN, THEIR NUMBERS HAVE BOUNCED BACK -- UNTIL NOW.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/1710 REPORTED...

SAN FRANCISCÓ DID PLENTY OF ITS OWN RESEARCH TO COME UP WITH A LIST OF GREEN PRODUCTS. AND NOW THE CITY IS SHARING THEIR FINDINGS WITH THE PUBLIC.SAN FRANCISCO'S ENVIRONMENTAL DEPARTMENT JUST POWERED UP A WEBSITE THAT OFFERS GUIDELINES ON EVERYTHING FROM ECO-FRIENDLY CLEANING SUPPLIES TO LIGHTING.THE SITE-- CALLED S-F APPROVED DOT ORG WAS ORIGINALLY CREATED FOR THE CITY-WHEN A 2005 ORDINANCE REQUIRED THE CITY TO USE GREEN ALTERNATIVES.BUT ONCE IT FINISHED ITS OWN RESEARCH CITY OFFICIALS DECIDED TO OPEN IT UP TO CONSUMERS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/22/10 REPORTED...

SCIENTISTS HAVE BEEN SAYING IT FOR DECADES: THE SAN ANDREAS FAULT ... IS LONG OVERDUE FOR A BIG ONE.BUT NEW RESEARCH SUGGESTS ... THAT THE FAULT IS MORE ACTIVE THAN FIRST THOUGHT.HERE IS EVIDENCE OF FIVE OTHER LARGE QUAKES ON THE FAULT, IN THE LOS ANGELES AREABEFORE THE LAST MASSIVE ONE, IN 18-57.SO THEY SAY THE INTERVAL BETWEEN THOSE LARGE QUAKES WAS ABOUT 88 YEARS ON AGERAGE ... PREVIOUSLY, SCIENTISTS BELIEVED BIG QUAKES HIT THE SAN ANDREAS -- ON AVERAGE... EVERY 200 YEARS.EXPERTS SAY THERE IS AN UP SIDE AND A DOWN SIDE TO THE FINDING...IN SHORT, THE SAN ANDREAS IS STILL LONG OVERDUE, BUT SCIENTISTS SAY THERE IS GOOD CHANCE THAT QUAKE WON'T BE AS LARGE AS THE 7.9 QUAKE IN 1857.RESEARCHERS FROM U-C IRVINE AND ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY ... CONDUCTED THE STUDY.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/23/10 REPORTED...

YOU'RE LOOKING LIVE AT THE SUNOL GRADE TONIGHT. THE BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT ISSUED ITS FIRST 'SPARE THE AIR' ALERT TODAY.. AND TOMORROW IS EXPECTED TO BE ITS SECOND. THE ALERTS ARE TO RAISE AWARENESS AND TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO HELP REDUCE SMOG.THE DISTRICT ASKS YOU TO REDUCE HOW MUCH YOU DRIVE, BY TAKING MASS TRANSIT, CARPOOLS, TELECOMMUTING OR BIKING AROUND TOWN...ALSO, AVOID USING GAS POWERED YARD TOOLS LIKE LAWNMOWERS AND LEAFBLOWERS...COOK INDOORS AND DON'T USE BARBECUES. AND AVOID AEROSOL SPRAY CLEANERS, PAINTS AND HAIR SPRAY.

GOVERNMENT

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/04/10 REPORTED...

PROP 8 OVERTURNED:SAME SEX MARRIAGE IS LEGAL ONCE AGAIN -- BUT WEDDING INVITATIONS ARE NOT GOING OUT YET.FEDERAL JUDGE VAUGHN WALKER RULED THAT PROPOSITION EIGHT, THE VOTER APPROVED INITIATIVE THAT BANNED GAY MARRIAGE IN CALIFORNIA, VIOLATED THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS OF GAY AND LESBIAN COUPLES.GAY MARRIAGE WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO RESUME IMMEDIATELY JUDGE WALKER SAYS HE WANTS TO DECIDE WHETHER HIS ORDER SHOULD BE SUSPENDED WHILE PROPONENTS OF THE BAN PURSUE THEIR APPEAL, PERHAPS ALL THE WAY TO THE U.S SUPREME COURT. HE HAS ASKED FOR WRITTEN ARGUMENTS FROM BOTH SIDES BY FRIDAY. THE PLANTIFFS BEHIND THE LAWSUIT, SAY THEY KNOW THE BATTLE ISNT OVER, BUT TODAY'S DECISION GIVES THEM HOPE. HIS RULING TODAY, JUDGE WALKER SAID "PROPOSITION EIGHT FAILS TO ADVANCE ANY RATIONAL BASIS IN SINGLING OUT GAY MEN AND LESBIANS FOR DENIAL OF A MARRIAGE LICENSE."

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/06/10 REPORTED...

ATTORNEY GENERAL JERRY BROWN FILED THIS BRIEF THIS AFTERNOON.. URGING THE COURT TO ALLOW SAME SEX MARRIAGES TO HAPPEN IN CALIFORNIA NOW. BROWN SAYS HE OPPOSES THE TEMPORARY STAY THAT IS IN PLACE.HE SAYS THE COURT DECIDED THE SAME SEX MARRIAGE BAN IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL AND SAME SEX COUPLES DESERVE THE RIGHT TO MARRY NOW. THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SAYS EVEN IF A HIGHER COURT REVERSES THE RULING AND THE MARRIAGES ARE LATER VOIDED COUPLES SHOULD NOT HAVE TO WAIT FOR THIER CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO MARRY.BROWN WENT ON TO SAY THERE ARE 18 THOUSAND LEGAL SAME SEX MARRIAGES IN CALIFORNIA NOW AND THEY HAVE CAUSED NO HARM IN FACT HE SAYS IT HAS HELPED FAMILIES AND CHILDREN FEEL MORE SECURE.(LIVE)GOVERNOR SCHWARZENNEGGER ALSO FILED A BRIEF ARGUING AGANST THE STAY JERRY BROWN SAYS HE EXPECTS A DECISION SOON FROM JUDGE

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/10/10 REPORTED...

THE GOVERNOR SOUNDED OPTIMISTIC WHEN TALKING TO THE SAN JOSE SILICON VALLEY OF COMMERCE TODAY.BUT TO MAKE THIS A REALITY-- HE AND THE LEGISLATURE HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER.DEMOCRATS WE TALKED TO TODAY AREN'T AS OPTIMISTIC AS THE GOVERNOR--- AND SAY THEY AREN'T ANY CLOSER TO A BUDGET DEAL. LAST WEEK-- DEMOCRAT LEADERS IN THE ASSEMBLY AND SENATE UNVEILED THEIR NEW PLAN TO BALANCE THE BUDGET.IT INCLUDES A ONE PERCENT INCREASE IN INCOME TAKES.AND A HIKE IN VEHICLE LICENSE FEES FROM 1-POINT-15 PERCENT TO 1-POINT-65 PERCENT. THE GOVERNOR HAS SAID HE WILL NEVER SIGN A BUDGET WITH A TAX HIKE.NSTEAD-- HE WANTS DEEP SPENDING CUTS--- AND A MAJOR PENSION REFORM.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/14/10 REPORTED...

IN SOUTHERN CALIFORINA ... SENATOR BARBARA BOXER JOINED A GROUP TRYING TO RALLY PEOPLE TO VOTE IN THE MIDTERM ELECTIONS. SHE WAS JOINED BY LOS ANGELES MAYOR ANTONIO VILLARAIGOSA (vee-yah-ry-GO-suh) AND LABOR SECRETARY HILDA SOLIS. THE GOAL WAS TO REACH OUT TO LATINOS ESPECIALLY... TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE ENGAGED IN THE POLITICAL PROCESS.BUT SHE ALSO USED THE OCCASSION... TO SPEAK OUT AGAINST HER REPUBLICAN OPPENENT... CARLY FIORNIA IN THE RACE TO DEFEND HER SENATE SEAT. YESTERDAY BOXER AND VILLARAIGOSA (vee-yah-ry-GO-suh) APPEARED WITH UNION MEMBERS WHO WERE CALLING FOR MORE TO BE DONE ABOUT THE STATE'S 12-PERCENT UNEMPLOYMENT RATE.

NBC BAY AREA. THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/1610 REPORTED...

GOVERNOR SCHWARZENEGGER WANTS TO TAKE 65-MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE STATE'S GENERAL FUND, AND USE IT TO BUILD A NEW DEATH ROW AT SAN QUENTIN PRISON. SEVERAL LAWMAKERS HAVE SLAMMED THE IDEA, SAYING THE GOVERNOR SHOULDN'T BE SPENDING MONEY ON A NEW DEATH ROW AT A TIME WHEN THE CALIFORNIA IS FACING A 19-BILLION DOLLAR DEFICIT AND FURLOUGHING WORKERS TO HELP SAVE CASH. BY LAW, SAN QUENTIN IS THE ONLY LOCATION IN CALIFORNIA WHERE EXECUTIONS CAN BE PERFORMED. SOME LAWMAKERS SAY INSTEAD OF EXPANDING DEATH ROW, IT WOULD BE CHEAPER TO HOUSE PRISONERS AT ALTERNATIVE FACILITIES UNTIL JUST BEFORE THEY ARE SCHEDULED TO BE EXECUTED.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/21/10 REPORTED...

THE VALLEJO POLICE DEPARTMENT RECENTLY ELIMINATED ALL BUT ONE OF ITS K-9 UNITS. AND IN SAN DIEGO... 12 K-9 UNITS WERE CUT IN AN EFFORT TO SAVE ABOUT HALF A MILLION DOLLARS.BUT OFFICERS HERE TODAY SAY... CUTTING K-9S UNITS IS A MISTAKE.THE SECOND ANNUAL K-9 TRIAL COMPETITION ENDED HERE AT SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO HIGH SCHOOL LATE THIS AFTERNOON.THE COMPETITION... WHICH WAS HOSTED BY THE SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO POLICE DEPARTMENT... BROUGHT TOGETHER MORE THAN 40 K-9 UNITS FROM ALL OVER THE STATE.K-9'S AND THEIR HANDLERS COMPETED IN SEVERAL DIFFERENT CATEGORIES INCLUDING... SEARCH, OBEDIENCE, AGILITY, AND PROTECTION WORK.THE EVENT WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC... AND ORGANIZERS SAID IT WAS A CHANCE TO FOR EVERYONE TO SEE THE VALUE OF THE WORK DONE BY THESE DOGS AND THEIR HANDLERS.THEY SAY POLICE DOGS ARE HIGHLY EFFECTIVE IN TENSE SITUATIONS... AND THAT IT HAS BEEN PROVEN TIME AND TIME AGAIN, THAT K-9'S SAVE LIVES.EDITOR-- INSERT POLICE DOG PHOTO HERE FROM ANTIOCHJUST ONE WEEK AGO TODAY... A POLICE DOG NAMED THOR... FROM THE ANTIOCH POLICE DEPARTMENT... WAS INJURED WAS HE WAS SHOT BY A BURGLARY SUSPECT HOLD UP INSIDE A HOME.THE DOG SURVIVED... AND THE SUSPECT WAS SHOT TO DEATH BY POLICE.OFFICERS CREDIT THOR WITH TAKING A BULLET MEANT FOR HIS HUMAN COMPANION

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/28/10 REPORTED...

HUNDREDS OF SAN JOSE FIREFIGHTERS .. GATHERING TO CRITICIZE, THEN OFFICIALLY REJECT THE CITY'S PROPOSAL TO RE-HIRE 49 FIREFIGHTERS, IN EXCHANGE FOR AN 8.9 PERCENT PAY CUT. LEAVING, THEY SAY, THE CITY LESS SAFE .. LEAVING THOSE 49 PEOPLE, OUT OF WORK.WITH SEVERAL FIRES HITTING SAN JOSE JUST YESTERDAY, THE RHETORIC BETWEEN FIRE CREWS AND THE CITY IS HOTTER THAN EVER. SAN JOSE'S MAYOR, ALREADY TALKING ABOUT PLANS TO USE TECHNOLOGY TO TRY AND KEEP THE PUBLIC SAFE IN THE WAKE OF CUTBACKS .. INSTEAD, STANDING THEIR GROUND, AND VOTING OVERWHELMINGLY AGAINST THE CITY'S PLAN ..TWO SIDES. AT A FIERY IMPASSE.

HEALTH/NUTRITION & DISEASE

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/3/10 REPORTED...

A NEW REPORT CLAIMS DIETARY SUPPLEMENTS SOLD IN THE U-S ARE OFTEN CONTAMINATED AND MAY CAUSE SERIOUS HEALTH PROBLEMS. THIS -- ACCORDING TO CONSUMER REPORTS MAGAZINE, WHICH RELEASED ITS FINDINGS TODAY. THE REPORT SAYS OF THE MORE THAN 54-THOUSAND DIETARY SUPPLEMENTS ON RECORD, ONLY ONE-THIRD HAVE BEEN PROVEN TO BE SAFE -- BY SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE. BUT MANY OTHERS CONTAIN INGREDIENTS THAT MAY CAUSE CANCER, HEART PROBLEMS, LIVER OR KIDNEY DAMAGE.BECAUSE THE F-D-A HAS NO POWER TO REGULATE SUPPLEMENTS, THEY REMAIN ON STORE SHELVES.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/4/10 REPORTED...

RESEARCHERS ARE DISCOVERING THAT YOUR GENES DETERMINE IF YOU COULD ONE DAY SUFFER A HEART ATTACK. IN A STUDY RELEASED TODAY, RESEARCHERS FROM HARVARD AND M-I-T SUGGEST GENETIC AND BIOLOGICAL LINKS BETWEEN CHOLESTEROL AND CORONARY HEART DISEASE. THE INFORMATION SUGGESTS THERE ARE GENETIC DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PEOPLE AS TO HOW THEIR BODIES MANAGE CHOLESTEROL LEVELS. A STUDY OF THE D-N-A OF MORE THAN 100-THOUSAND PEOPLE FOUND 95 DIFFERENT GENETIC ALTERATIONS, ALL OF WHICH CAN PLAY A ROLE IN HOW CHOLESTEROL IS MANAGED IN OUR SYSTEMS. THE STUDY APPEARS IN TODAY'S SCIENCE JOURNAL, NATURE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/6/10 REPORTED... CALIFORNIA'S WHOOPING COUGH EPIDEMIC IS SHOWING NO SIGN OF SLOWING DOWN. HEALTH OFFICIALS HOPED THEY'D SEE THE NUMBER OF CASES LEVELING OFF BY NOW...INSTEAD IT IS GROWING. THE STATE HAS SIX-TIMES AS MANY WHOOPING COUGH CASES AS LAST YEAR, WITH SEVEN DEATHS-- ALL INFANTS. HEALTH OFFICIALS ARE WORKING WITH VARIOUS COUNTIES TO STEP UP VACCINATION PROGRAMS. SOME EXPERTS BLAME.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY $6:00PM-7:00PM\ 8/11/10\ REPORTED...$

DOCTORS SAY THEY'RE VERY CLOSE TO AN EFFECTIVE TREATMEANT FOR A RARE AND DEADLY SKIN CONDITION IN CHILDREN. THE STUDY WAS DONE ON 10 CHILDREN WITH A CONDITION CALLED EPIDERMAL-ISIS BULLOSA.THE PAINFUL DISEASE CAUSES SKIN TO BLISTER AND COME OFF WITH THE SLIGHTEST TOUCH. DOCTORS SAY THEY USED BONE MARROW STEM CELLS TO IMPROVE THE CONDITION OF SOME PATIENTS .. BUT TWO PATIENTS DIED FROM COMPLICATIONS..RESEARCHERS SAY THEY'RE HOPEFUL THEY CAN MAKE THE TREATMENT COMPLETELY SAFE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/1610 REPORTED...

THERE'S ALREADY PLAN "B" -- AND NOW THERE'S PLAN "C" -- A NEW "MORNING AFTER" PILL THAT EXPERTS SAY WORKS FIVE MORNINGS AFTER UNPROTECTED SEX.

THE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION HAS APPROVED THE EMERGENCY BIRTH CONTROL PILL "ELLA."IT'S NOT A ROUTINE BIRTH CONTROL PILL YOU TAKE EVERY DAY -- DOCTORS SAY IT'S MEANT TO BE USED UP TO 5 DAYS AFTER UNPROTECTED SEX OR ANOTHER FORM OF CONTRACEPTION FAILS.DR. JAMES LIU SITS ON AN ADVISORY BOARD FOR WATSON PHARMACEUTICALS -- WHICH WILL MARKET ELLA. THE PLAN B DRUG CURRENTLY AVAILABLE OVER THE COUNTER WORKS FOR 3 DAYS AFTER UNPROTECTED SEX.ELLA WILL BE GIVEN BY PRESCRIPTION ONLY .. AND WORKS BY BLOCKING OR DELAYING OVULATION -- WHEN THE OVARIES RELEASE AN EGG.IT HAS A FAILURE RATE OF ABOUT 2 PERCENT. AND EXPERTS SAY THEY HAVE NO EVIDENCE THAT ELLA LEADS TO ABORTION SINCE THE DRUG WORKS BY BLOCKING AN EGG FROM BEING RELEASED IN THE FIRST PLACE. THERE'S NO WORD YET ON HOW MUCH ELLA WILL COST -- BUT IT SHOULD HIT THE MARKET LATER THIS YEAR.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/17/ 10 REPORTED...

HEALTH OFFICIALS SAY AT LEAST TWO-HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SIX PEOPLE HAVE NOW BECOME SICK AFTER EATING EGGS TAINTED WITH SALMONELLA.A MASSIVE RECALL IS UNDERWAY..THE EGGS WERE PRODUCED IN IOWA AND SOLD IN SEVERAL STATES INCLUDING CALIFORNIA.THEY WERE SOLD UNDER BRANDS SUCH AS ALBERTSON'S, RALPH'S, SHORELAND, LUCERNE, AND FARM FRESH. ANYONE WHO CONTRACTS SALMONELLA POISONING WILL BE SICK FROM FOUR TO SEVEN DAYS.CHILDREN AND THE ELDERLY ARE CONSIDERED MOST AT RISK.FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE RECALL, VISIT EGGSAFETY-DOT-ORG.

NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL CONCERNS/SAFETY & SECURITY

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/3/10 REPORTED...
THE BODY SCANNER MADE ITS DEBUT TODAY AT OAKLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.
BODY SCAN TECHNOLOGY HAS GAINED POPULARITY FOR ITS ABILITY TO PINPOINT HIDDEN EXPLOSIVES AND OTHER CONTRABAND. BUT ITS BEEN CRITISIZED FOR VIOLATING PASSENGER PRIVACY, BECAUSE IT SEES THROUGH CLOTHING. THE TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ADMINISTRATION SAYS BODY SCAN TECHNOLOGY DOES NOT PRINT OR STORE IMAGES--- AND THE SECURITY OFFICIAL VIEWING THEM HAS NO CONTACT WITH PASSENGERS. PASSENGERS HAVE THE OPTION OF ACCEPTING OR DECLINING A BODY SCAN. THOSE WHO DECLINE MUST WALK THROUGH A TRADITIONAL METAL DETECTOR AND ALSO SUBMIT TO A PATDOWN.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/5/10 REPORTED...
ATTORNEY GENERAL ERIC HOLDER TODAY ANNOUNCED CHARGES AGAINST 14-PEOPLE FOR SEEKING TO SUPPORT OR JOIN THE SOMALI-BASED TERROR GROUP, AL-SHABAB. TWELVE OF THE CASES ARE FROM MINNESOTA ... WHERE HOLDER SAID THE MUSLIM COMMUNITY HAS BEEN VERY SUPPORTIVE IN TRYING TO STOP THE SPREAD OF RADICAL ISLAM AAMONG YOUNG MUSLIMS. ONE OF THE CASES IS FROM ALABAMA. THE THE FINAL ONE IS FROM CALIFORNIA. ALMOST ALL ARE U-S CITIZENS. THE GOVERNMENT HAS DESIGNATED

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/6/10 REPORTED...
A SUSPECTED AL-QAIDA MEMBER WHO SPENT 15 YEARS IN THE U-S... IS NOW BELIEVED TO BE IN CHARGE OF THE TERROR NETWORK'S GLOBAL OPERATIONS. F-B-I OFFICIALS SAY 35 YEAR OLD ADNAN SHUKRIJUMAH

(SHOOK'-ree joohm-HAH')) HAS TAKEN OVER THE POSITION ONCE HELD BY 9-11 MASTERMIND, KHALID SHEIKH MOHAMMED. SHUKRIJUMAH ONCE LIVED IN SOUTH FLORIDA AND HAD PERMANENT RESIDENCE STATUS. HE'S BELIEVED TO BE THE ONLY AL-QUAEDA LEADER WITH U-S RESIDENCY. HE'S IS CHARGED IN NEW YORK WITH PLOTTING TO BOMB THE SUBWAY SYSTEM.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/11/10 REPORTED...

TODAY, OSAMA BIN LADEN'S FORMER COOK WAS SENTENCED TO 14 YEARS IN PRISON. IBRAHIM AH-MED MAH-MOOD AL-COSI PLEADED GUILTY LAST JULY TO SUPPORTING TERRORISM. THIS MAKES HIM THE FOURTH GUATANAMO DETAINEE TO BE CONVICTED SINCE THE PRISON OPENED IN 2002. OFFICIALS SAY AL-COSI COULD BE RELEASED SOONER GIVEN A PLEA AGREEMENT, BUT THAT INFORMATION REMAINS SEALED.INVESTIGATORS SAY, BY PLEADING GUILTY AND PROVIDING EVIDENCE, AL-COSI AVOIDED A POSSIBLE LIFE SENTENCE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY $6:00PM-7:00PM\ 8/19/10\ REPORTED...$

REACTION FROM PASSENGERS AS THEY WERE ESCORTED FROM AMERICAN FLIGHT 24 LEAVING SAN FRANCISCO.... HEADING TO NEW YORK. THE PLANE WAS SCHEDULED TO TAKE OFF AROUND TEN.... BUT THAT DIDN'T HAPPEN.LATER WE FOUND OUT WHY. ALAMEDA P.D. GOT A CALL AT 9:11 THIS MORNING.... FROM A BUSINESS OWNER IN ALAMEDA SAYING HE GOT A CALL FROM SOME WHO SAID FLIGHT 24 WAS GOING TO BE HI JACKED...SO ALAMEDA CALLED THE F.B. I.... THE F.B. I. PUT THE BREAKS ON THAT PLANE. THIS PICTURE WAS TAKEN OF A MAN WHO APPEARED TO BE HANDCUFFED AND TAKEN OFF THE BACK OF THE PLANE. WE ARE ALSO TOLD A WOMAN WAS DETAINED AND QUESTIONED.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 8/31/10 REPORTED...

NOW, TO SOMETHING YOU NEVER, EVER WANT TO SEE OUTSIDE YOUR AIRPLANE WINDOW.THESE PICTURES WERE TAKEN BY A PASSENGER ON-BOARD QANTAS FLIGHT 74 FROM SAN FRANCISCO TO SYDNEY AUSTRALIA EARLY THIS MORNING.THEY SHOW THE HOLE CREATED WHEN ONE OF THE JET'S FOUR ENGINES BLEW UP, MID FLIGHT.IT WAS LESS THAN AN HOUR INTO THE FLIGHT THAT EVERYONE ON THE PLANE FELT A THUD, THEN A STRONG VIBRATION ... SOME PASSENGERS ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE PLANE REPORT SEEING SPARKS AND FLAMES COMING FROM THE ENGINE.THE PILOT TURNED THE JET AROUND, DUMPED FUEL, AND HEADED BACK TO SFO.THE PASSENGERS SAY IN SPITE OF ALL THEY HEARD AND SAW, THERE WAS NO PANIC ON-BOARD.

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Quarterly Issues/Programs Report Third Quarter 2010 September

KNTV/NBC BAY AREA is responsive to the principal issues arising in its community through regularly scheduled public affaires programming, newscasts, public service announcements as well as documentaries and specials. The following is a list of some of the programs that have provided the station's most significant treatment of community issues during the preceding three-month period.

BUSINESS & INDUSTRY, EMPLOYMENT

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/06/10 REPORTED...

ON THIS LABOR DAY ... MORE PEOPLE ARE FEELING THE UNEMPLOYEMENT BLUES. THE CALIFORNIA BUDGET PROJECT JUST RELEASED NEW NUMBERS UNEMPLOYMENT IS NOW AT 12 POINT 2 PERCENT, DOWN A TENTH OF A PERCENT.NEARLY 1-MILLION CALIFORNIANS HAVE BEEN OUT OF WORK FOR MORE THAN A HALF A YEAR. AND, ONE OF THE GROUPS SUFFERING THE MOST --- YOUNG PEOPLE BETWEEN 16 AND 24 YEARS OLD. THE REPORT EMPHASIZES THE NEED FOR SMART POLICY MAKING AT BOTH FEDERAL AND STATE LEVELS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/07/10 REPORTED..

TOMORROW, THE STATE SUPREME COURT WILL HEAR ORAL ARGUMENTS ON WHETHER THE GOVERNOR HAS THE POWER TO FURLOUGH STATE EMPLOYEES IN A BUDGET CRISIS. IF THE STATE EMPLOYEES WIN THE CASE, THEY COULD GET BACK PAY FOR ALL FURLOUGH DAYS SINCE FEBRUARY OF 2009.IN THE LAST TWO YEARS, 40 LAWSUITS HAVE BEEN FILED OVER THE FURLOUGHS. THE JUSTICES TOMORROW WILL HEAR THREE OF THOSE CASES. STATE WORKERS SAY THE GOVERNOR DIDN'T REALLY IMPOSE FURLOUGHS TO SAVE MONEY. AFTER HEARING ORAL ARGUMENTS TOMORROW, THE JUSTICES WILL HAVE 90-DAYS TO PUBLISH THEIR DECISION.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/13/10 REPORTED...

A POPULAR SAN FRANCISCO SANDWICH SHOP THAT'S GETTING EVICTED.. IS GOING OUT WITH A BANG.DOZENS OF HUNGRY DINERS LINED UP DOWN THE SIDEWALK FOR A LAST CHANCE AT AN *IKE'S SANDWICH. THE SHOP WAS CLOSING UP TODAY, AFTER ITS OWNERS COULDN'T FIGHT OFF A CITY EVICTION ORDER. SOME NEIGHBORS COMPLAINED TO THE CITY ABOUT BIG CROWDS AND THE SMELL OF BACON, DEVOTED CUSTOMERS SAY THE CLOSING WILL LEAVE A HOLE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD... AND AN EMPTY PLACE IN THEIR STOMACHS. THE OWNER SAYS STARTING TOMORROW, HIS 47 EMPLOYEES WILL BEGIN CARPOOLING TO TWO OTHER LOCATIONS ON THE PENINSULA. HE SAYS HE'S SEARCHING FOR A NEW SAN FRANCISCO LOCATION FOR HIS BUSINESS. BY THE WAY, IKE'S IS STAYING OPEN UNTIL MIDNIGHT TONIGHT.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/14/10 REPORTED...

BIG NEWS TODAY FROM SAN JOSE'S LARGEST EMPLOYER. CISCO SYSTEMS ANNOUNCED IT WILL BEGIN PAYING STOCK DIVIDENDS BY JULY. CISCO SHARES ROSE ABOUT ONE-PERCENT AS A RESULT. LIKE MANY BIG TECH COMPANIES, CISCO HAS A PILE OF CASH -- ESTIMATED AT 40-BILLION DOLLARS. ANALYSTS SPECULATED THIS DIVIDEND WOULD HAPPEN, HOWEVER, SOME TECH GIANTS, MOST NOTABLY APPLE, ARE KEEPING THEIR CASH AS A SAFEGUARD. CISCO HAS NOT SAID HOW MUCH OF A DIVIDEND IT WILL PAY.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/15/10 REPORTED...

A WHISTLEBLOWER IS TALKING ABOUT HIS COURT CASE AGAINST P-G-AND-E .. OVER ALLEGED SAFETY VIOLATIONS.MIKE WISEMAN CLAIMS THAT THE UTILITY OFTEN IGNORES SAFETY RULES AND VIOLATIONS. HE SAYS ONE OF THE JOKES IN HIS DEPARTMENT IS THAT P-G-AND-E MANAGEMENT PUTS THE SAFETY CAP ON .. ONLY DURING SAFETY MEETINGS.IN ONE INSTANCE: P-G-AND-E SENT WORKERS INTO A DITCH - THE ONE YOU SEE WISEMAN STANDING IN - TO REPAIR A GAS LINE. ACCORDING TO WISEMAN - NONE OF THOSE WORKERS HAD PROPER TRAINING.HE SAYS SUPERVISORS DETAINED HIM OVERNIGHT IN A HOTEL WHEN HE BROUGHT UP HIS CONCERNS.WISEMAN'S LAWSUIT WAS FILED WEEKS BEFORE THE SAN BRUNO EXPLOSION AND HE SAYS HE NEVER WORKED ON THE LINE THAT BLEW UP.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/17/10 REPORTED...

NO NEW JOBSCALIFORNIA'S UNEMPLOYMENT RATE ACTUALLY *ROSE IN AUGUST TO 12-POINT-FOUR PERCENT.CALIFORNIA LOST 33-THOUSAND-500 JOBS LAST MONTH ACCORDING TO THE STATE'S EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.IT'S THE THIRD STRAIGHT MONTH OF JOB LOSSES.TWO-POINT-THREE MILLION CALIFORNIANS ARE UNEMPLOYED.MAY BE HARDEST HIT BUT IT'S NOT THE ONLY SECTOR LOSING JOBS.CONSTRUCTION, MANUFACTURING, FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES, LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY, TRADE, TRANSPORTATION AND UTILITIES WORKERS WERE ALL CUT.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/22/10 REPORTED...

DOZENS OF EMPLOYEES OF BAYER. PROTESTED OUTSIDE THE COMPANY'S PLANT IN BERKELEY TODAY. THAT FOLLOWS THE LAYOFF OF 29-WORKERS LAST MONTH. THE WORKERS SAY BAYER GOT MORE THAN TEN MILLION DOLLARS IN TAX BREAKS LAST YEAR TO PROMOTE GOOD JOBS .. THEN IT CUT THEM. WE DID GET A RESPONSE FROM BAYER, WHICH SAYS THE LAYOFFS WERE MADE TO INCREASE EFFICIENCY AT THE FACILITY... AND THAT THE COMPANY DID EVERYTHING IT COULD TO HELP THOSE WHO WERE LET GO..

CONSUMER ISSUES

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/1/10 REPORTED...

AND THE MUSIC CAME FROM COLDPLAY LEAD SINGER CHRIS MARTIN ...WHOSE SONGS CAN BE DOWNLOADED ON A NUMBER OF UPDATED APPLE IPODS .. LIKE THE NEW TOUCH, WHICH, STARTING AT 229 DOLLARS, LETS YOU "FACE CONNECT" WITH FRIENDS ON NEW IPOD TOUCHES AND NEW IPHONES.OR THE NEW SHUFFLE .. WHICH STARTS AT 49 DOLLARS.PART OF APPLE'S PLAN TO TRY AND STAY AHEAD OF THE COMPETITION WHEN IT COMES TO MUSIC AND TECHNOLOGY.BUT WHEN IT COMES TO TV TECHNOLOGY, APPLE IS FACING INTENSE OPPOSITION. THE NEW APPLE TV, FOR 99 DOLLARS, LETS YOU RENT TV SHOWS FOR 99 CENTS, AND MOVIES FOR 4-99 .. BUT WILL IT SELL? AFTER ALL, APPLE TV IS, FOR THE MOST PART, JUST A RE-TUNED VERSION OF WHAT IT HAD BEFORE

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/2/10 REPORTED...

IF A NEW WATER-HEATER OR AIR-CONDITIONER ARE ON YOUR WISH-LIST, YOU MIGHT CONSIDER TAKING THAT SHOPPING TRIP SOMETIME SOON.MORE THAN HALF THE FEDERAL REBATE MONEY IN CALIFORNIA'S *CASH FOR APPLIANCES* PROGRAM HAS BEEN EITHER PAID-OUT OR IS BEING PROCESSED. THE SACRAMENTO BEE SAYS MORE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN BUYING SINCE THE STATE ENERGY COMMISSION EXPANDED THE PROGRAM IN LATE JULY TO INCLUDE TO FREEZERS, DISHWASHERS, AND MUCH MORE. FOR DETAILS -- CALL 888-390-4034 OR VISIT CASH-4-APPLIANCES-DOT-ORG.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/04/10 REPORTED...

ONE DAY AFTER LABOR DAY BARBECUES - THE COST OF A DRINK COULD GO UP, IN SAN FRANCISCO. ON TUESDAY - THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL VOTE ON A PLAN THAT WOULD PLACE A FEE ON ALCOHOL DISTRIBUTORS.HALF SLABTHE PLAN WOULD ADD THREE CENTS TO THE COST OF A BEER.... 4.5 CENTS TO THE EQUIVALENT OF A GLASS OF WINE AND 3.5 CENTS TO A STANDARD DRINK.THE IDEA IS TO COVER SOME 17-MILLION DOLLARS IN UN-REIMBURSED HEALTH CARE COSTS RELATED TO ALCOHOL ABUSE.THE FEE WOULD APPLY TO WHOLESALERS WHO SELL ALCOHOL IN SAN FRANCISCO.BUT CRITICS WORRY THE COST WILL BE PASSED TO CONSUMERS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/13/10 REPORTED...

SICK OF EXTRA DEBIT CARD FEES? SOME SMALL BUSINESSES SAY THEY CAN'T SURVIVE WITH OUT THEM. THE CALIFORNIA BRANCH OF THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF INDEPENDENT BUSINESS .. IS URGING ITS MEMBERS TO CALL AND WRITE TO GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, TELLING HIM TO VETO THE SENATE BILL. HE N-F-I-B SAYS DEBIT CARD USERS WOULD BE SURPRISED TO LEARN MOST BUSINESSES WHICH IMPOSE DEBIT CARD SURCHARGES .. ARE ONLY RECOVERING THEIR COSTS -- AND THAT BUSINESSES ARE CHARGED A SWIPING FEE BY COMPANIES LIKE VISA.THE GROUP SAYS THE BILL IS DESCRIBED AS BEING *QUOTE* "PROCONSUMER" .. BUT FEW PEOPLE KNOW THAT THE BILL IS BACKED BY VISA.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/21/10 REPORTED...

SAN FRANCISCO GROCERY STORES WITH ON-SITE PHARMACIES WILL NO LONGER BE ALLOWED TO SELL CIGARETTES, UNDER A LAW PASSED TODAY BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THE ORDINANCE EXPANDS AN EARLIER BAN ON TOBACCO SALES IN DRUG STORES, TO INCLUDE ANY STORE WITH A PHARMACY. THAT INCLUDES LARGE GROCERY STORES LIKE SAFEWAY AND COSTCO.SUPPORTERS OF THE LAW SAY IT MAKES SENSE THAT CIGARETTES SHOULDN'T BE SOLD NEXT TO PRODUCTS INTENDED TO PROMOTE HEALTH. OPPONENTS OF THE LAW SAY IT RESTRICTS FREEDOM OF CHOICE. THE BOARD WILL TAKE A FINAL VOTE ON THE LAW NEXT WEEK... IF IT'S PASSED, IT GOES TO THE MAYOR FOR APPROVAL.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/22/10 REPORTED...

A HUGE RECALL OF BABY FORMULA TO REPORT TONIGHT.ABBOTT LABS SAYS UP TO 5-MILLION CONTAINERS OF POWDERED SIMILAC FORMULA MAY BE CONTAMINATED WITH INSECT PARTS. AFFECTED PRODUCTS WERE SOLD IN EITHER PLASTIC CONTAINERS OR IN CANS.. BOTH OF VARIOUS SIZES, FROM 8-OUNCE TO 12-POINT-NINE OUNCE. TO SEE IF YOU HAVE ANY OF THE AFFECTED FORMULA, GO ONLINE TO SIMILAC'S WEBSITE. ENTER THE LOT NUMBER THAT'S LOCATED ON THE BOTTOM OF THE CONTAINER. ABBOTT SAID IT FOUND INSECTS LAST WEEK IN ONE SECTION OF A MICHIGAN MANUFACTURING PLANT.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/22/10 REPORTED...

THE OWNERS OF IOWA EGG FARMS LINKED TO LAST MONTH'S MASSIVE SALMONELLA OUTBREAK WERE IN THE HOT SEAT ON CAPITOL HILL TODAY. THE HOUSE ENERGY AND COMMERCE SUBCOMMITTEE WANTS TO KNOW WHY CONDITIONS WERE SO BAD AT THE FARMS. THE INVESTIGATION TARGETS IOWA'S HILL-AND-DALE FARMS AND WRIGHT COUNTY EGG. SEVERAL OF THE 16-HUNDRED PEOPLE WHO GOT SICK TESTIFIED ABOUT HOW

AWFUL THEY FELT.BUT THE OWNER OF ONE OF THE FARMS REFUSED TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.THE COMMITTEE SHOWED PHOTOS OF F-D-A VIOLATIONS AT THE HEN HOUSES. WRIGHT'S OWNERS BLAMED AN INGREDIENT SOLD TO *THEM* BY AN OUTSIDE SUPPLIER -- FOR CAUSING THE PROBLEMS, AND INSIST THEY'VE MADE SWEEPING SAFETY CHANGES.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, FAMILY, ELDERLY, MEN & WOMEN

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/09/10 REPORTED...

STABBED AT SCHOOL...A VALLEJO HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR IS RECOVERING FROM KNIFE WOUNDS TONIGHT, AFTER ANOTHER STUDENT ATTACKED HIM. THE ATTACK HAPPENED JUST BEFORE CLASSES STARTED AT HOGAN HIGH SCHOOL YESTERDAY MORNING. POLICE SAY TWO SENIOR BOYS GOT IN AN ARGUMENT, AND THEN ONE PULLED OUT A KNIFE.THE 17-YEAR-OLD VICTIM WAS SLASHED SEVERAL TIMES ON THE FACE AND NECK.THE SUSPECT WAS ARRESTED LAST NIGHT, WALKING NEAR THE SCHOOL, ON ROSEWOOD AVENUE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/10/10 REPORTED...

IT'S HARD NOT TO GET EMOTIONAL ON A DAY LIKE TODAY. I DON'T LIVE HERE...BUT I CERTAINLY FEEL THEIR PAIN.THE SPAGETTI FEED STARTED AN HOUR AND A HALF AGO AND STILL GOING STRONG HERE AT CAPUCHINO HIGH.HERE AT CAPUCHINO HIGH.ABOUT 150 TO 200 PEOPLE ARE HERE RIGHT NOW.THEY SPENT THE AFTERNOON MAKING A SPAGGETTI FEAST FOR PEOPLE WHO NEED IT.THE COOKING TEACHER CAME UP WITH THE IDEA...SHE PUT OUT THE WORD AND PEOPLE STARTED COMING TO HELP.THE SCHOOL WANTS TO BE A PLACE PEOPLE CAN COME IF THEY WERE AFFECTED.THEY ARE ALSO USING THE DINNER TO RAISE MONEY.BUT THEY ALSO WANT TO BE THE PLACE PEOPLE CAN COME AND TALK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED....AND THAT'S WHAT THEY SAY THEY NEED MOST. THE PRINCIPAL AND FACALITY HAS THE GRIM TASK OF MAKING SURE STUDENTS ARE ACCOUNTED FOR.IF SOMEONE DIDN'T COME TO SCHOOL TODAY, THEY WENT THROUGH THE PROCESS. TO SEE IF THEY WERE OKAY.THAT HASN'T BEEN EASY.THEY ARE STILL GOING THROUGH THAT PROCESS.THIS SPAGGETTI FEED WILL LAST FOR A COUPLE OF HOURS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/15/10 REPORTED...

THINK ALL THOSE HOURS ON THE COMPUTER ARE BAD FOR CHILDREN?

NEW RESEARCH SUGGESTS YOU MIGHT WANT TO THINK AGAIN. THE STUDY LOOKED AT PRE-TEENS OVER SIX YEARS AND FOUND IN MANY CASES MORE HOURS AT THE COMPUTER LED TO AN INCREASE IN TEST SCORES. AFRICAN AMERICAN BOYS SAW THE BIGGEST JUMP WITH MORE ACCESS TO HOME COMPUTERS THAN EVER BEFORE. GIRLS' SCORES ALSO INCREASED. THE ONLY GROUP WHO DIDN'T SEE IMPROVEMENT WAS WHITE BOYS WITH A SLIGHT DECREASE IN TEST SCORES AND INCREASE IN VIOLENT TENDENCIES.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY $6:00PM-7:00PM\ 9/15/10\ REPORTED...$

OBESITY NOT ONLY HURTS YOUR HEALTH-- IT CAN ALSO HURT YOUR BANK ACCOUNT-- ESPECIALLY IF YOU'RE A WOMAN.RESEARCHERS CRUNCHED THE NUMBERS-- AND HERE'S WHAT THEY FOUND: THE ANNUAL COST FOR BEING OBESE IS 4-THOUSAND-879 DOLLARS FOR A WOMAN, AND 2-THOUSAND-646 DOLLARS FOR A MAN.RESEARCHERS AT GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY ADDED IN THINGS LIKE EMPLOYEE SICK DAYS, LOST PRODUCTIVITY, AND THE NEED FOR EXTRA GAS.THAT'S MUCH MORE THAN JUST SIMPLY BEING OVERWEIGHT-- WHICH COST 524 DOLLARS FOR WOMEN, AND 432 DOLLARS FOR MEN.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/22/10 REPORTED...

THE GOVERNOR IS BEING URGED TO SIGN A BILL THAT WOULD HELP PROTECT CHILDREN FROM PESTICIDES ON SCHOOL CAMPUSES. PARENTS AND ENVIRONMENTALISTS IN CONCORD ARE APPLYING PRESSURE TO GET THE BILL SIGNED. THE BILL WOULD REQUIRE SCHOOLS TO ADOPT LESS TOXIC PEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES ON SCHOOL CAMPUSES BY THE YEAR 20-14. A SURVEY DONE IN 2009 ... SHOWED THAT 42 PERCENT OF SCHOOLS WERE USING A HIGH-RISK METHOD OF SPRAYING PESTS...A METHOD THAT EXPOSED CHILDREN AND STAFF TO DANGEROUS TOXINS. THE GOVERNOR HAS NOT YET MADE A DECISION ON THE BILL BUT MUST ACT BY SEPTEMBER 30TH.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/27/10 REPORTED...

NO APPLES.. NO TOY ...THE FIGHT OVER WHAT GOES IN A *HAPPY MEAL* PROMPTED SOME ANGER IN SAN FRANCISCO TODAY, FROM FASTFOOD MAKERS AND ACTIVISTS WHO SUPPORT BANNING TOY GIVEAWAYS WITH FAST-FOOD.THE CITY'S PROPOSED TOY BAN ORDINANCE HAD ITS FIRST HEARING TODAY.IT WOULD BLOCK RESTAURANTS FROM GIVING-AWAY TOYS WITH CHILDREN'S MEALS WHICH HAVE HIGH CALORIES, FAT, SUGAR AND SALT. IT WOULD ALSO REQUIRE THAT IF TOYS ARE GIVEN OUT, THEY WOULD HAVE TO ACCOMPANY MEALS WHICH INCLUDE SERVINGS OF FRUIT AND

VEGETABLES.SUPPORTERS SAY THE FAST FOOD INDUSTRY IS WORRIED.A MCDONALD'S EXECUTIVE SAYS ITS RESTAURANTS ALREADY ALLOW CHILDREN TO GET APPLES WITH THEIR HAPPY MEALS INSTEAD OF FRENCH FRIES AND MILK INSTEAD OF SODA-- AND THAT LEGISLATING WHAT GOES IN THE MEAL IS GOING TO FAR..

CRIMES-FEDERAL/STATE/LOCAL, LAW & LAW ENFORCEMENT

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/07/10 REPORTED...

THE VALLEJO MAN WHO MAY HOLD THE KEY TO THE EAST BAY KILLING SPREE SAYS HE'S NOT A THREAT TO ANYONE..CHARLES RITTENHOUSE IS BEING HELD ON TWO-MILLION DOLLARS BAIL -- CHARGED WITH TWO COUNTS OF POSSESSING EXPLOSIVES. BUT INVESTIGATORS BELIEVE HE MAY BE CONNECTED TO THE KILLINGS OF HIS WIFE AND HIS WIFE'S FRIEND, WHOSE BODIES WERE FOUND INSIDE RITTENHOUSE'S HOME. IN COURT

PAPERS FILED TODAY, RITTENHOUSE'S ATTORNEY SAYS HIS CLIENT HAD NO MOTIVE FOR MURDER AND IS DEVASTATED BY HIS WIFE'S DEATH. HIS ATTORNEY ALSO SAYS RITTENHOUSE HAD NO INTENT TO MAKE EXPLOSIVE DEVICES.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/13/10 REPORTED...

A SERIES OF ARMED ROBBERIES AT EAST BAY CONVENIENCE STORES HAS OAKLAND POLICE ASKING FOR THE PUBLIC'S HELP.INVESTIGATORS TODAY RELEASED THIS SURVEILLANCE PHOTO, TAKEN SEPTEMBER 4TH. THEY SAY THE MAN ROBBED THREE SEVEN-ELEVEN STORES THAT DAY -- IN OAKLAND, HAYWARD, AND MILPITAS. IN EACH CASE THE GUNMAN POINTED A PISTOL AT THE CLERK, DEMANDED MONEY, AND ESCAPED WITH THE CASH. POLICE ARE OFFERING A 25-HUNDRED DOLLAR REWARD-- AT THE SAME TIME, THEY'RE INVESTIGATING WHETHER THE SAME MAN IS BEHIND OTHER ROBBERIES.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/07/10 REPORTED...

SUNNYVALE FIRE INVESTIGATORS SAY THEY MAY HAVE AN ARSONIST ON THE LOOSE.SINCE MAY, THERE HAVE BEEN MORE THAN A DOZEN FIRES IN THE CITY.

THE FIRES HAVE BEEN CONCENTRATED NEAR SOUTH FAIR OAKS AVENUE, OLD SAN FRANCISCO ROAD AND GRAND FIR AND GARLAND AVENUES.MOST OF THEM WERE SET IN THE EARLY MORNING HOURS. DUMPSTERS HAVE BEEN SET ON FIRE .. BUT IN ONE INSTANCE .. AN OCCUPIED PARKED CAR WAS SET ON FIRE.HERE'S A SKETCH OF A PERSON OF INTEREST WHO WAS SEEN IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD DURING A FIRE ON SEPTEMBER FIRST.THEY BELIEVE THE MAN TO BE BETWEEN 19 AND 20 YEARS OF AGE. NO ONE HAS BEEN HURT IN ANY OF THE FIRES.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/16/10 REPORTED...

CONCORD POLICE SHOT AND WOUNDED A ROBBERY SUSPECT EARLY TODAY, AFTER THEY SAY HE BRANDISHED A GUN AT AT THEM.THEY NOW SAY IT WAS A REALISTIC-LOOKING TOY.BEFORE DAWN AN OFFICER SPOTTED THE MAN NEAR CLAYTON ROAD AND ASHBURY DRIVE, AND RECOGNIZED HIM AS ROBBERY SUSPECT.INVESTIGATORS SAY WHEN THE OFFICER TRIED TO DETAIN HIM, THE SUSPECT LIFTED HIS SHIRT TO SHOW HE CARRIED WHAT LOOKED LIKE A HAND-GUN. AFTER A CHASE, POLICE SAY THE MAN POINTED THE FAKE GUN AT OFFICERS.POLICE FIRED SEVERAL TIMES.THE SUSPECT IS HOSPITALIZED IN CRITICAL BUT STABLE CONDITION.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/22/10 REPORTED...

SAN LEANDRO POLICE SAY THE WOMAN WAS WALKING ALONG THIS BUSY STRETCH OF EAST 14TH STREET WHEN THE FAKE COP PULLED UP ALONGSIDE HER.

HE JUMPED OUT OF A BLACK SUV AND TOLD HER TO FREEZE!

POLICE SAY THE IMPOSTOR COP WAS ARMED WITH A HANDGUN AND HE WAS WEARING A TACTICAL POLICE UNIFORM.HE CUFFED THE WOMAN AND ASKED HER IF SHE WAS UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRUGS..HE THEN TOOK HER WALLET AND SEARCHED IT...POLICE SAY HE STOLE 200 DOLLARS IN CASH FROM HER.DURING THE ILLEGAL SEARCH..THE WOMAN ASKED FOR THE MAN'S ID...BUT HE TOLD HER HE DDIN'T HAVE ONE.HE TOOK OFF QUICKLY AFTER TAKING HER MONEY...THE SUSPECT IS DESCRIBED AS A BLACK MAN IN HIS MID 30S WHO WAS BALD AND CLEAN SHAVEN..IT'S BELIEVED HE WAS DRIIVNG A BLACK CHEVY TAHOE WITH FLASHING LIGHTS ON THE FRONT GRILL.A SAN LEANDRO OFFICER IS EN ROUTE HERE NOW TO TELL US MORE ABOUT WHAT HAPPEEND AND WHAT THEY'RE ADVISING PEOPLE TO DO IF THEY ENCOUNTER THIS FAKE COP.

NBC BAY AREA. THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/24/10 REPORTED...

THE SAN FRANCISCO MEDICAL EXAMINER HAS RULED THE DEATH OF AN INMATE WHO WAS BEING RESTRAINED BY OFFICERS, A HOMICIDE. 31-YEAR OLD "ISSIAH DOWNES" WEIGHED MORE THAN 300 POUNDS, AND THE CORONER SAYS THAT PLAYED A ROLE.

HE HAD BEEN CUFFED AND FORCED TO THE GROUND, AND THE SHERIFFS REPORTEDLY PLACED THEIR WEIGHT ON HIS BACK AND NECK, CAUSING HIM TO SUFFOCATE. POLICE SAY THEY ARE STILL INVESTIGATING, BUT SO FAR THERE HAVE BEEN NO ARRESTS.

DOWNES' FAMILY SAID THEY PLAN TO FILE A WRONGFUL DEATH LAWSUIT.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/24/10 REPORTED...

TODAY -- LAWYERS STARTED INVESTIGATING FORMER CHIEF RANDY ADAMS AS PART OF PROBE INTO THE CITY'S MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR SCANDAL. UPON TAKING THE JOB, ADAMS ALLEGEDLY DECLARED HIMSELF "DISABLED" TO RECEIVE LUCRATIVE TAX BREAKS WHEN HE RETIRED. SO FAR FOUR OF BELL'S FIVE ELECTED OFFICIALS ARE BEHIND BARS FOR THE PAY SCANDAL. ONLY ONE COUNCIL MEMBER IS IN THE CLEAR. THAT COUNCIL MEMBER SUPPOSEDLY RECEIVED A MONTHLY STIPEND OF JUST 620-DOLLARS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/25/10 REPORTED...

WE WOULD LIKE TO THINK WE LIVE IN SAFE AND SECURE NEIGHBORHOODS...

BUT EAST BAY POLICE ISSUING A 'NEW' WARNING THAT'LL MAKE YOU THINK TWICE ABOUT ANSWERING THAT KNOCK AT YOUR DOOR. CONTRA COSTA SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES SAY A MAN SELLING CARPET CLEANING SERVICES, MAY BE BEHIND A RECENT SEXUAL ASSAULT, IN A WALNUT CREEK APARTMENT BUILDING. SUSPECT DESCRIBED TO BE ABOUT 6-FEET TALL, 20 TO 30 YEAR OLD WHITE MAN WITH A FULL BEARD...HE GAINED ENTRY INTO A WOMAN'S HOME LAST WEEK - AND ATTACKED HER.INVESTIGATORS REPORT SEEING A MAN, FITTING THE DESCRIPTION, GOING DOOR-TO-DOOR SELLING CARPET CLEANING SERVICES. BY THE WAY, THIS IS THE SAME APARTMENT COMPLEX WHERE THREE OTHER SEXUAL ASSAULTS TOOK PLACE THIS SUMMER ... BUT POLICE SAY THOSE INCIDENTS ARE 'NOT' RELATED.

DIVERSITY

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/03/10 REPORTED...

MORE HELP IS ON THE WAY FOR THE 33 TRAPPED CHILEAN MINERS.

RESCUERS SAY A THIRD DRILL IS HEADING TO THE SITE...AND COULD BE THERE IN JUST DAYS. THEY HOPE THE DRILL WILL WIDEN THE RESCUE SHAFT, SO RECUERS CAN REACH THE MEN SOONER. AS FOR HOW THE MEN ARE DOING MENTALLY, DOCTORS SAY THEY'VE BEEN RECEIVING GOOD TREATMENT. THE MINERS HAVE BEEN UNDER-GROUND FOR ALMOST A MONTH NOW ... SINCE AUGUST FIFTH. THEY'RE STILL RECEIVING HOT FOOD, PLENTY OF WATER...AND MESSAGES FROM FAMILY.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/08/10 REPORTED...

THE GOVERNOR HAS ONE LESS LEGAL ISSUE ON HIS PLATE TONIGHT -- GAY MARRIAGE.A CONSERVATIVE LEGAL GROUP WANTED CALIFORNIA'S SUPREME COURT TO FORCE THE GOVERNOR AND ATTORNEY GENERAL TO CHALLENGE THE RULING DECLARING PROP 8 UNCONSTITUTIONAL THIS AFTERNOON, THE STATE'S HIGHEST COURT REFUSED TO ORDER SCHWARZENEGGER OR JERRY BROWN TO APPEAL ON BEHALF ON PROP 8 SUPPORTERS.LAST MONTH, A FEDERAL JUDGE IN SAN FRANCISCO STRUCK DOWN THE PROPOSITION AS A VIOLATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS.CONSERVATIVES TURNED TO THE GOVERNOR BECAUSE AN APPEAL FROM PROP 8'S SPONSORS MIGHT NOT BE LEGITIMATE WITHOUT THE STATE'S BACKING.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/18/10 REPORTED...

SUPPORTERS OF PROP 8 ARE URGING A FEDERAL APPEALS COURT IN SAN FRANCISCO TO UPHOLD THE VOTER-APPROVED BAN ON SAME-SEX MARRIAGE.

THE GROUP ARGUES THAT THE JUDGE WHO STRUCK DOWN THE MEASURE LAST MONTH .. "INVENTED" A RIGHT THAT DOESN'T EXIST.IN A BRIEF FILED WITH THE 9TH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS YESTERDAY, PROP 8 SPONSORS WROTE.... QUOTE "THERE IS NO FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT TO MARRY A PERSON OF THE SAME SEX."LAST MONTH, JUDGE VAUGHN WALKER RULED.... THE MEASURE VIOLATED THE U.S. CONSTITUTION'S GUARANTEE OF EQUAL PROTECTION, AND DUE PROCESS.

THE APPEAL IS JUST THE LATEST CHAPTER IN A FIVE-YEAR BATTLE.... OVER SAME SEX MARRIAGE IN CALIFORNIA. THERE IS A GOOD POSSIBILITY THE CASE COULD REACH THE U.S. SUPREME COURT.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/18/10 REPORTED...
THE SOUTH BAY IS NOW HOST TO THE LARGEST BUDDHA IN THE WORLD... AND SIZE ISN'T THE ONLY THING THAT MAKES IT UNIQUE... IT'S ALSO CARVED ENTIRELY OUT OF JADE AND GEMSTONES.THE OFFICIAL NAME OF THE PIECE IS "THE JADE BUDDHA FOR UNIVERSAL PEACE."THIS MORNING'S DEBUT DREW HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE TO A BUILDING ON SAN JOSE'S SENTER ROAD. THE BUDDHA WILL REMAIN ON DISPLAY UNTIL OCTOBER FIRST. VISITORS CAN HAVE THEIR PICTURE TAKEN WITH IT FOR FREE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/21/10 REPORTED...

A MOVE BY SENATE DEMOCRATS TO REPEAL THE MILITARY'S "DON'T ASK - DON'T TELL" POLICY .. HIT A MAJOR ROADBLOCK TODAY.REPUBLICANS VOTED UNAMIMOUSLY AGAINST A MAJOR DEFENSE POLICY BILL .. THAT INCLUDED THE PROVISION ALLOWING GAYS TO SERVE OPENLY IN THE MILITARY. THE MOSTLY PARTISAN VOTE DEALT A MAJOR BLOW TO GAY RIGHTS GROUPS, WHO SAW THE LEGISLATION AS THEIR BEST HOPE, AT LEAST IN THE SHORT TERM. SENATE MAJORITY LEADER HARRY REID SAID HE WILL REVIVE THE BILL AT A LATER DATE.SINCE DON'T ASK-DON'T TELL TOOK EFFECT IN 19-93.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/24/10 REPORTED...

TODAY MARKED THE SECOND TIME THIS MONTH, A FEDERAL JUDGE HAS RULED "DON'T ASK, DON'T TELL" IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL THE LEGAL CASE, IN WASHINGTON STATE, WAS CLOSELY-WATCHED BY ACTIVISTS. THE U-S DISTRICT JUDGE RULED THE AIR FORCE VIOLATED THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS OF A FLIGHT NURSE WHEN SHE WAS DISCHARGED FOR BEING GAY. HE ORDERED THAT *MAJOR MARGARET WITT* BE REINSTATED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THE ISSUE WAS ALSO ADDRESSED ON CAPITOL HILL THIS WEEK, WHEN SENATE REPUBLICANS BLOCKED AN EFFORT

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/25/10 REPORTED...

CHECK THIS OUT, AN UNUSUAL SITE ON THE WATERS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY. THE DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL AND RACES TOOK PLACE EARLIER TODAY. OVER 110 BOAT TEAS AND 35-HUNDRED PADDLERS, THE RACES BRING IN COMPETITORS FROM AS FAR AWAY AS THE NETHERLANDS. THERE'S ALSO FOOD, PERFORMANCES AND ARTS AND CRAFTS TO HELP BRING IN THE CROWDS.

EDUCATION

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/07/10 REPORTED...

PRE-SCHOOL ISN'T USUALLY THOUGHT OF AS PART OF A CRIME-FIGHTING STRATEGY..

BUT LOCAL POLICE CHIEFS AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT LEADERS SAY IT'S VITAL. THEY ARE MEMBERS OF THE GROUP, "FIGHT CRIME: INVEST IN KIDS", THEY RELEASED A REPORT TODAY SHOWING THAT CHILDREN FROM RISKY NEIGHBORHOODS WHO GET HIGH-QUALITY EARLY EDUCATION ... ARE LESS LIKELY TO COMMIT CRIMES AS ADULTS, AND MORE LIKELY TO FINISH HIGH SCHOOL THEY SAY IN THE LONG RUN, QUALITY PRE- SCHOOL COULD SAVE 16-DOLLARS FOR EVERY DOLLAR INVESTED. AND THAT CALIFORNIA AND THE BAY AREA COULD SEE EDUCATION SAVINGS OF UP TO 300-MILLION DOLLARS A YEAR.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/13/10 REPORTED...

THE SITE OF A SEMINAL MOMENT IN AMERICAN POLITICS -- NOW THE MOST EXPENSIVE SCHOOL EVER BUILT--OPENED TO STUDENTS TODAY ...A WEEK LATE DUE TO BUDGET CUTS . ROBERT KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL SITS ON THE SITE OF THE OLD AMBASSADOR HOTEL WHERE ROBERT KENNEDY WAS SHOT AND KILLED DURING A CAMPAIGN STOP IN 1968.THE SCHOOL RESEMBLES THE OLD HOTEL AND SERVES 37-HUNDRED STUDENTS FROM KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 12TH GRADE. KENNEDY HIGH COSTS 578 MILLION DOLLARS.-ALL OF IIT FROM BOND

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/13/10 REPORTED...

AND THAT INCLUDES COMMUNITY COLLEGES-- WHICH STAND TO LOSE \$840 MILLION DOLLARS IN DELAYED STATE PAYMENTS-- IF A BUDGET ISN'T SIGNED BY NEXT TUESDAY. THIS WAS THE SCENE AT DEANZA COLLEGE IN CUPERTINO. TODAY IS THE SECOND DAY OF CLASS AND CLASSROOMS WERE OVERFLOWING WITH STUDENTS TRYING TO ADD.COMMUNITY COLLEGES LOST 530 MILLION DOLLARS IN CUTS THIS YEAR, FORCING THEM TO CUT CLASSES. ADDING TO THE PROBLEM IS THE INCREASE IN PEOPLE WHO LOST THEIR JOBS AND NOW GOING BACK TO SCHOOL, OR STUDENTS WHO WERE TURNED AWAY AT UNIVERSITIES. COMMUNITY COLLEGES HAVE TO BORROW MONEY TO HELP PAY THE BILLS WHILE LAWMAKERS HAMMER OUT A NEW BUDGET, AND THATS' COSTING COLLEGES ROUGHLY FIVE MILLION DOLLARS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/15/10 REPORTED...
THE STATE COULD USE A CASH INFUSION TO PAY SOME BILLS..THE COURTS RULED THE STATE IS NOT AUTHORIZED TO PAY VENDORS, HEALTH CLINICS, COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND STUDENT GRANTS, AMONG OTHER THINGS, WITHOUT AN APPROVED BUDGET.A STATEWIDE NON-PROFIT THAT PROVIDES CARE FOR SENIORS SAYS TODAY THEY HAVEN'T BEEN PAID SINCE JULY AND ARE STRUGGLING TO STAY AFLOAT. BY THE WAY ...TOMORROW LAWMAKERS WILL TIE THE RECORD FOR THE LONGEST BUDGET STANDOFF IN STATE HISTORY...AND A BUDGET DOES NOT LOOK NEAR.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/21/10 REPORTED...

IMMIGRATION GROUPS HELD A PRO-"DREAM ACT" RALLY THIS MORNING OUTSIDE OF SENATOR DIANE FEINSTEIN'S OFFICE. THE DREAM ACT WOULD ALLOW SOME UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS WHO CAME TO THE U-S AT A YOUNG AGE... TO BECOME LEGAL RESIDENTS, SUPPORTERS OF THE ACT WANTED IT ATTACHED TO A NATIONAL DEFENSE BILL. BUT THAT BILL WAS VOTED DOWN TODAY BY THE SENATE. YOUNG IMMIGRANTS SAYTHE ACT COULD HAVE HELPED THEM PURSUE A HIGHER EDUCATION. THE DREAM ACT WAS FIRST INTRODUCED IN 2001. SUPPORTERS SAY DESPITE TODAY'S SETBACK... THEY WILL CONTINUE PUSHING CONGRESS TO PASS IT.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/27/10 REPORTED...

AS FAR AS EDUCATION GOES... THESE ARE GOOD DAYS FOR TABARI AUSTIN. AUSTIN IS PART OF SAN FRANCISCO'S GATEWAY PROGRAM... TAKING CLASSES AT CITY COLLEGE TO FINISH HIS HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA. THINGS HAVEN'T ALWAYS GONE AS SMOOTHLY FOR THE 20 YEAR OLD STUDENT... BUT IN THESE DAYS OF SHRINKING ACADEMIC BUDGETS... EVERYONE COULD USE A LITTLE HELP. TODAY... SAN FRANCISCO EDUCATION LEADERS ANNOUNCED A GRANT OF THREE MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE BILL AND MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION. THE MONEY WILL GO TOWARD STRENGTHENING THE TRANSITION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS HEADING TO SAN FRANCISCO CITY COLLEGE. THE MONEY COMES AT A TIME WHEN SCHOOLS ARE INCREASINGLY REACHING OUT TO PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS AND DONORS TO MAKE UP FOR CUTS IN STATE FUNDING. LAST YEAR, CITY COLLEGE EVEN HELD A GARAGE SALE TO TRY AND SAVE SOME THREE HUNDRED CLASSES ON THE CHOPPING BLOCK. BUT AUSTIN SEES GOOD THINGS... HE SAYS HE'S LEARNED THAT SOMETIMES SCHOOLS AND STUDENTS... JUST NEED A HELPING HAND. JOE ROSATO JR... NBC BAY AREA NEWS

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/27/10 REPORTED...

PEOPLE ARE TRYING TO CHANGE THE STATE OF EDUCATION - NOT JUST HERE, BUT ACROSS THE COUNTRY. IN NEW YORK CITY, NBC'S 'EDUCATION NATION' KICKED OFF A TWO-DAY SUMMIT. IT'S A PLACE WHERE PARENTS, TEACHERS, AND POLICY MAKERS ARE FOCUSED ON FINDING SOLUTIONS TO IMPROVING THE AMERICAN PUBLIC EDUCATION SYSTEM. ALSO TODAY-- THE WHITE HOUSE ANNOUNCED A GOAL OF RECRUITING 10-THOUSAND SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATH TEACHERS OVER THE NEXT TWO YEARS.

ENVIRONMENT

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/4/10 REPORTED...

ANOTHER BIG OIL COMPANY HAS JOINED THE EFFORT TO SUSPEND CALIFORNIA'S GLOBAL WARMING LAW...DAVID AND CHARLES KOCH (COKE) ... OF KOCH (COKE) INDUSTRIES DONATED A MILLION DOLLARS THIS WEEK ... TO THE PROPOSITION 23 CAMPAIGN.KOCH IS THE NATION'S SECOND-LARGEST PRIVATE COMPANY THAT OWNS OIL REFINERIES AND PIPELINES.TWO OTHER BIG OIL COMPANIES, VALERO ENERGY, AND TESORO (TEH-SOR-OH) CORPORATION HAVE ALSO DONATED.PROP 23 WOULD ESSENTIALLY KILL CALIFORNIA'S 2006 LAW, THAT AIMS TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS ... TO 19-90 LEVELS OVER THE NEXT DECADE.MANY ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS, DEMOCRATIC LEADERS, AND CALIFORNIA'S REPUBLICAN GOVERNOR SUPPORT THE CURRENT LAW AND OPPOSE PROP 23.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/07/10 REPORTED...

A PENINSULA SALT POND WHICH USED TO BE AN EYESORE, IS EXPECTED TO HOST TENS-OF-THOUSANDS OF MIGRATING BIRDS IN THE COMING MONTHS.SENATOR DIANNE FEINSTEIN AND STATE RESOURCES SECRETARY, LESTER SNOW, TODAY PARTICIPATED IN THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE RESTORED CARGILL SALT POND-WHICH IS NOW WETLANDS.ADMINISTRATORS SAY 237 ACRES OF SALTY SOIL HAS BEEN CONVERTED INTO A RICH 30-ISLAND BIRD HABITAT.THE SITE IS LOCATED AT THE MENLO-PARK SIDE OF THE DUMBARTON BRIDGE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/08/10 REPORTED...

A FISHING-BAN FOR A PART OF PETALUMA RIVER WHERE A TUGBOAT LEAKED UP TO SIX-HUNDRED GALLONS OF FUEL IS OVER TONIGHT. SPILL CAME FROM A WORLD-WAR-TWO ERA TUGBOAT THAT WAS BEING SALVAGED ON MONDAY. THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME SAYS THE LEAKING OIL CREATED A TWO-MILE LONG SHEEN ON THE RIVER, PROMPTING THE TEMPORARY BAN ON FISHING.CREWS ARE CUTTING-UP THE BOAT TO GET IT REMOVED.SO FAR. THERE ARE NO SIGNS ANY WILDLIFE HAS BEEN AFFECTED BY THE SPILL.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/17/10 REPORTED...

HURRICANE KARL GREW INTO A CATEGORY THREE STORM BEFORE SMASHING INTO MEXICO'S GULF COAST TODAY...THE STORM HAS KILLED TWO PEOPLE SO FAR, AND FORCED MEXICO TO SHUT DOWN ITS ONLY NUCLEAR POWER PLANT.OVER A THOUSAND PEOPLE IN COASTAL TOWNS WERE EVACUATED.AFTER KARL PUSHED INLAND, IT WEAKENED INTO A TROPICAL STORM.

STILL, GOVERNMENT LEADERS ARE WORRIED THAT KARL COULD CAUSE THE WORST DAMAGE IN 50 YEARS.ITS HEADED INTO A MOUNTAINOUS, FLOOD-PRONE REGION, WHERE A STORM KILLED MORE THAN 300 PEOPLE IN 1999

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/20/10 REPORTED...

BIOLOGISTS TODAY TOOK SKIN AND TISSUE SAMPLES FROM A WHALE CARCASS WHICH WASHED ASHORE ON A SAN FRANCISCO BEACH.BECAUSE THE WHALE IS SO BADLY DECOMPOSED, EXPERTS FROM THE MARINE MAMMAL CENTER DON'T KNOW WHAT SPECIES IT IS-- BUT THEIR BEST GUESS IS THAT IT'S A SEI (SAY) OR FIN WHALE.A CURIOUS CROWD -- INCLUDING SCHOOL CHILDREN -- GATHERED AT OCEAN BEACH TO SEE THE UNUSUAL SIGHT.IT'S BEEN A COUPLE YEARS SINCE A WHALE WASHED-UP IN THE AREA, AND SCIENTISTS KEEP TRACK.RESULTS FROM D-N-A TESTS SHOULD COME BACK IN A FEW MONTHS.THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE WILL ARRANGE TO BURY THE WHALE'S REMAINS UNDER OCEAN BEACH.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/21/10 REPORTED...

HUNDREDS OF BAY AREA CREEKS AND SHORELINES ARE TRASHED.AND NOW THERE'S A PUSH TO GET THEM CLEANED UP.'SAVE THE BAY' REVEALED THE TOP 225 TRASH HOT SPOTS TODAY-- AND IT INCLUDES THE DAMON SLOUGH AT THE MARTIN LUTHER KING JUNIOR REGIONAL SHORELINE PARK IN OAKLAND. YOU CAN SEE IT'S LITTERED WITH PLASTIC BAGS AND OTHER TRASH.SAVE THE BAY WANTS THIS IMAGE TO MOTIVATE PEOPLE TO VOLUNTEER COASTAL CLEANUP DAY-- WHICH IS THIS SATURDAY. TO SEE WHERE ALL THE BAY AREA TRASH HOT SPOTS ARE LOCATED---GO TO OUR WEBSITE NBC-BAY AREA DOT COM AND SEARCH SAVE THE BAY.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/24/10 REPORTED...

A FIRST OF ITS KIND IN THE BAY AREA...A CAR DEALERSHIP IN OAKLAND OPEN AN UNUSUAL SHOWROOM TODAY-- ALL THE CARS ARE "GREEN". IN OTHER WORDS -- THEY ARE ALL HYBRID AND ECO-FRIENDLY. ON DISPLAY - THE HONDA INSIGHT, CIVIC AND BRAND NEW CR-Z SPORT HYBRID.THE HONDA OF OAKLAND SHOWROOM OPENED TO THE PUBLIC TODAY, FOLLOWING A GALA RIBBON CUTTING LAST NIGHT. AUTO DEALERSHIPS ARE ONE OF OAKLAND'S TOP SALES TAX PRODUCERS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/25/10 REPORTED...

THINK GLOBALLY -- ACT LOCALLY. A GOOD EXAMPLE OF THAT TODAY...TENS OF THOUSANDS OF CALIFORNIANS CAME TOGETHER TODAY... TO CLEAN UP THE COASTLINE. BAY AREA CLEANUP SITES INCLUDED BEACHES IN SAN FRANCISCO AND THE GUADALUPE RIVER IN SAN JOSE. SINCE IT'S START IN 1985, OVER 800-THOUSAND CALIFORNIANS HAVE REMOVED MORE THAN 14 MILLION POUNDS OF TRASH FROM THE STATE'S SHORELINES ON COASTAL CLEANUP DAYS. IF YOU MISSED IT, YOU CAN STILL GET INVOLVED. OVER THE NEXT 3 WEEKS, "COAST WEEKS" IS SPONSORING NATURE WALKS, RESTORATION ACTIVITIES, AND WORKSHOPS. OR YOU CAN JOIN THE "ADOPT A BEACH" EFFORT.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/27/10 REPORTED...

ON THIS "SPARE THE AIR" DAY...WHAT WE'RE HEARING FROM MOST FOLKS IS..."GIVE ME SOME AIR". BECAUSE IT'S HARD TO BREATHE FOR A LOT OF PEOPLE. COMBINE THE HOT TEMPERATURES WITH THE UNHEALTHY AIR...AND THAT MAKES IT DIFFICULT. IN FACT, FOR PEOPLE WITH ASTHMA AND RESPIRATORY PROBLEMS...A SPARE THE AIR CONDITION IS TOUGH ON THEIR LUNGS. THE BAY AREA QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT IS OFFERING THIS SLOGAN TO HELP SPARE THE AIR: NO DRIVING AND NO GRILLING THEIR SUGGESTIONS: TAKE PUBLIC TRANSIT LIKE BART OR V-T-A IF YOU DON'T HAVE TO DRIVE. PUBLIC TRANSIT IS NOT FREE AND IF THAT BOTHERS YOU, YOU CAN CARPOOL OR VANPOOL TO WORK. AND IF YOU'RE GOING TO THE BEACH: DON'T BARBECUE WITH CHARCOAL...DO IT WITH GAS. THIS IS THE 3RD SPARE THE AIR DAY IN A ROW...AND SOME PEOPLE ARE JUST TRYING TO SURVIVE.

GOVERNMENT

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/01/10 REPORTED...

EMPTY DESKS AND SILENCE IN THE STATE SENATE TODAY.

A VERY DIFFERENT SCENE FROM WHAT IT WAS LIKE HERE JUST BEFORE MIDNIGHT.AS THE FINAL SECONDS OF THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION TICKED DOWN.....DEMOCRATS RUSHED TO TRY TO GET THEIR BILLS PASSED......AND REPUBLICANS DID EVERYTHING THEY COULD TO RUN OUT THE CLOCK.IN THE END THE VOTED AND THAT BILL DIED... JUST AS THE BUDGET BILLS HAD EARLIER IN THE EVENING... IN BOTH THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY.GOVERNOR SCHWARZENEGGER TOLD REPORTERS HE PLANNED TO INVITE LEGISLATIVE LEADERS BACK TO THE NEGOTIATING TABLE IMMEDIATELY...

...BUT DECLINED TO RULE OUT THE POSSIBLITY HE MIGHT LEAVE OFFICE WITHOUT A BUDGET IN PLACE.AMONG THE BILLS THAT DID PASS -- ONE THAT WOULD GRADUALLY ROLLBACK THE AGE AT WHICH CHILDREN CAN ENTER KINDERGARTEN.AND ANOTHER WOULD ALLOW SEVERLY ILL PRISON INMATES TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR PAROLE.HOWEVER -- MUCH WATCHED LEGISLATION THAT WOULD HAVE BANNED PLASTIC SHOPPING BAGS FAILED IN THE SENATE BY SEVEN VOTES.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/01/10 REPORTED...

ABOUT 150 PEOPLE ABOUT HALF OF THEM STUDENTS. NOT ONLY IS IT HOT OUTSIDE HERE IN MORAGA, BUT THOSE WATCH WILL PROBABLY HOPE FOR A HEATED OR SHOULD I SAY SPIRITED DEBATE TONIGHT. SENATOR BARBARA BOXER HAS BEEN CAMPAIGNING ALL OVER CALIFORNIA LATELY. SHE IS IN THE BATTLE FOR HER POLITICAL LIFE. RECENT POLLS SHOW BOXER AND REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE CARLY FIORINA IN A DEAD HEAT. BOXER, THE THREE TERM INCUMBENT HAS THE NAME RECOGNICATION ADVANTAGE AND ACCESS TO CASH HER CAMPAIGTN HAS TO SPEND..... COMPARED TO FIRST TIME CANDIDATE FIORINA FORMER H-P C.E.O. THE TWO STARTED OUT ON THE WRONG FOOT BACK IN JUNE... WHEN A COMMENT BY FIORINA ABOUT BOXERS HAIR FOR A LOT OF MEDIA... COVERAGE. MEANWHILE.... THE BACK DROP FOR TONIGHT'S DEBATE.... MARY'S COLLEGE.... THE VICE PRESIDENT OF ENROLLMENT TOLD ME A FEW MOMENTS AGO THAT THE COLLEGE IS HONORED TO HOST THIS EVENT.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/0610 REPORTED...

INSTEAD OF TRAVELING TO A CAMPAIGN APPEARANCE OR LOOKING UP HIS PLATFORM ONLINE...JERRY BROWN SUPPORTERS AND THOSE INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT HIM FINALLY HAVE ANOTHER OPTION.BROWN...THE DEMOCRATIC GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATE...FINALLY RELEASED HIS FIRST CAMPAIGN AD OVER THE WEEKEND...TOUTING HIS RECORD OF TAX REDUCTION BY FOUR-BILLION DOLLARS AND CREATING NEARLY TWO MILLION JOBS DESPITE A RECESSION FROM 1975 TO 1983 WHEN HE WAS GOVERNOR.THE MEG WHITMAN 2010 CAMPAIGN HAS BLASTED BROWN IN ITS CAMPAIGN ADS FOR MANY MONTHS AND SAYS HIS NEW AD REWRITES BROWN'S AFTER 40 YEARS IN POLITICS PROTECTING THE STATUS QUO. BROWN TAKES EXCEPTION TO WHITMAN'S ACCUSATIONS THAT WHEN HE LEFT THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE THE STATE WAS FLAT BROKE...FLIRTING WITH BANKRUPTCY WITH 11-PERCENT OF RESIDENTS OUT OF WORK.BUT IS IT TOO LATE FOR HIM TO JUST BE GETTING STARTED?HE SAYS HE'S ACTUALLY JUMPING IN AT THE RIGHT TIME

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/0710 REPORTED...

GOVERNOR SCHWARZENEGGER IS IN ASIA THIS WEEK, LEADING A TRADE MISSION TO PROMOTE CALIFORNIA PRODUCTS .. AND TO HELP SECURE WHAT THE GOVERNOR SAYS COULD AMOUNT TO BILLIONS OF DOLLARS FOR COMPANIES HERE.THE TRIP INCLUDES STOPS IN CHINA, JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA.IT IS MR. SCHWARZENEGGER'S FIRST TRADE MISSION IN MORE THAN THREE YEARS .. AND HE'S IN THE COMPANY OF BUSINES LEADERS FROM ACROSS THE STATE.ON THE AGENDA -- A TOUR THE COMPANY THAT IS MAKING PORTIONS OF THE NEW EASTERN SPAN OF THE BAY BRIDGE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/0710 REPORTED...

WHEN IT COMES TO THE NATIONAL ELECTION, DEMOCRATS ARE SWIMMING UPSTREAM, ACCORDING TO A NEW NBC NEWS/WALL STREET JOURNAL POLL.

REPUBLICANS HAVE A NINE POINT EDGE AMONG PEOPLE CONSIDERED LIKELY VOTERS IN NOVEMBER. THAT NUMBER DOUBLES AMONG AMERICANS WHO EXPRESSED THE HIGHEST AMOUNT OF INTEREST IN THE MIDTERM ELECTIONS.53 PERCENT OF THEM PREFER REPUBLICANS. 35% SAY THEY'LL VOTE DEMOCRATIC. AND AMERICANS CERTAINLY SEE A "WRONG TRACK." 56-PERCENT OF RESPONDENTS NOW DISAPPROVE OF THE WAY PRESIDENT OBAMA IS HANDLING THE ECONOMY. ONLY 41-PERCENT APPROVE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/0710 REPORTED...

THE GOVERNMENT TONIGHT IS TURNING UP THE PRESSURE ON A FLORIDA PREACHER AND HIS PLANS TO BURN COPIES OF THE MUSLIM HOLY BOOK THE QURAN ON SEPTEMBER 11TH.ATTORNEY GENERAL ERIC HOLDER CALLS THE IDEA IDIOTIC AND DANGEROUS. PASTOR TERRY JONES POSTED HIS PLAN ON THE INTERNET WEEKS AGO. AND HE'S NOT BACKING-OFF, EVEN THOUGH THE TOP U-S GENERAL IN AFGHANISTAN, DAVID PETRAEUS, WARNED HIM IVIA EMAIL THAT IT COULD HARM U-S TROOPS BY INCITING VIOLENCE.PROTESTERS IN AFGHANISTAN SUNDAY BURNED POSTERS WITH JONES' IMAGE ON THEM.AND OTHER CHRISTIAN LEADERS HAVE COME FORWARD, URGING JONES TO CANCEL THE BOOK-BURNING.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/07/10 REPORTED...

REPUBLICAN GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATE MEG WHITMAN HAS SET A NEW A RECORD... SHE HAS RUN THE MOST EXPENSIVE SELF-FINANCED CAMPAIGN IN U-S HISTORY...WHITMAN MADE A CAMPAIGN STOP TODAY AT YELP HEADQUARTERS IN SAN FRANCISCO WHERE SHE SPOKE TO ABOUT 250 EMPLOYEES. YESTERDAY WHITMAN GAVE HER CAMPAIGN ANOTHER 15 MILLION DOLLARS OF HER OWN MONEY. THAT BRINGS THE GRAND TOTAL TO 119-MILLION DOLLARS, MOVING HER PAST MICHAEL BLOOMBERG WHO HAD HELD THE RECORD AT 109 MILLION. THE BILLIONAIRE CANDIDATE EXPLAINED THE INFUSION OF CASH. WHITMAN ALSO DEFENDED HER DECISION TO CONTINUE RUNNING ADS FEATURING FORMER PRESIDENT CLINTON SPARRING WITH JERRY BROWN...EVEN THOUGH THERE ARE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE TRUTHFULNESS OF AD.WHITMAN INSISTS THE MAIN ALLEGATIONS IN THE ADD ARE TRUE.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/23/10 REPORTED...

A NEW POLL SHOWS JERRY BROWN AND MEG WHITMAN ARE IN A DEAD HEAT FOR THE GOVERNOR'S RACE. THE FIELD POLL SHOWS 41-PERCENT OF VOTERS SUPPORT BROWN AND 41-PERCENT SUPPORT WHITMAN.... WITH 18-PERCENT UNDECIDED. THE POLL ALSO SHOWS WHITMAN IS GAINING TRACTION AMONG WOMEN.... FEMALE VOTERS ARE EVENLY DIVIDED BETWEEN THE TWO CANDIDATES ... A RARITY IN CALIFONRIA WHERE WOMEN HISTORICALLY VOTE for DEMOCRATS BY DOUBLE-DIGIT MARGINS. INDEPENDENTS ARE ALSO SPLIT -- SUGGESTING THERE WILL BE A DOWN THE WIRE RACE FOR THE UNDECIDED VOTERS.

HEALTH/NUTRITION & DISEASE

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/3/10 REPORTED...

IN HEALTH NEWS... PEOPLE WHO USE CERTAIN OSTEOPOROSIS DRUGS MAY HAVE A SLIGHTLY INCREASED RISK FOR DEVELOPING THROAT CANCER. THE DRUGS ARE CALLED *ORAL BIS-PHOSPHONATES* THEY'RE USED BY MANY TO STRENGTHEN BONES. THE STUDY LINKED THE MEDICINES TO CANCER OF THE THROAT IN PEOPLE WHO TOOK THE DRUGS FOR MORE THAN FIVE-YEARS. THE RESEARCH CONTRADICTS ANOTHER STUDY WHICH FOUND NO LINK AT ALL. DOCTORS NOW WANT MORE INFORMATION TO DETERMINE LONG-TERM RISKS AND BENEFITS OF THE DRUGS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/08/10 REPORTED...

A NEW STUDY SUGGESTS HIGH DOSES OF VITAMIN B MAY HELP DELAY THE ONSET OF ALZHEIMERS.RESEARCHERS SAY VITAMIN B GREATLY REDUCED THE RATE OF BRAIN SHRINKAGE BY PROTECTING THE BRAIN.THE AVERAGE BRAIN SHRINKS AT A RATE OF HALF A PERCENT A YEAR AFTER THE AGE OF 60.ALZHEIMER'S PATIENTS HAVE BRAIN SHRINKAGE OF 2 AND A HALF PERCENT A YEAR.EXPERTS ARE ADVISING AGAINST TAKING HIGHER THAN RECOMMENDED LEVELS OF VITAMIN B UNTIL MORE RESEARCH IS CONDUCTED.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/08/10 REPORTED...

SNACKING IS MORE POPULAR THAN EVER BEFORE.OVER 50 PERCENT OF AMERICANS SAY THEY EAT THREE OR MORE SNACKS A DAY, COMPARED TO JUST 11 PERCENT OF AMERICANS IN THE LATE 70'S.MANY ARE EVEN REPLACING MEALS WITH SNACKS.

EXPERTS SAY THAT CAN BE HEALTHY, IF SNACKERS MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICES, LIKE FRUITS AND VEGGIES.BUT THEY'LL HAVE TO BATTLE THE ATTRACTION OF A SLEW OF NEW SNACKS SHOWING UP ON FAST FOOD RESTAURANT MENUS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/13/10 REPORTED...

THE FIRST LADY IS ASKING THE NATION'S RESTAURANTS TO ADD MORE HEALTHY OPTIONS TO MENU'S... ESPECIALLY FOR KIDS. SHE URGED RESTAURANTS TO LIMIT THE AMOUNT OF BUTTER AND CREAM IN THEIR DISHES... AND PROVIDE APPLE SLICES OR CARROTS AS A SIDE DISH ON THE KIDS MENU.HER GOAL IS TO COMBAT CHILDHOOD OBESITY. HOW BIG IS THE PROBLEM? THE GOVERNMENT SAYS 8 PERCENT OF STUDENTS IN SAN FRANCISCO SCHOOLS ARE OBESE... AND ONLY 17 PERCENT OF THEM EAT VEGETABLES AT LEAST THREE TIMES PER WEEK.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY $6:00PM-7:00PM\ 9/18/10\ REPORTED...$

SAN MATEO COUNTY HEALTH LEADERS HOSTED A FREE WHOOPING COUGH VACCINATION CLINIC TODAY - AND THE LINE STRETCHED AROUND THE BLOCK.

THE NUMBER OF WHOOPING COUGH CASES IN THE COUNTY ... IS NEARLY EIGHT TIMES WHAT IT WAS LAST YEAR.IN FACT, THE ENTIRE STATE IS ON TRACK TO BREAK A 55-YEAR RECORD FOR THE DISEASE.HEALTH LEADERS ARE ENCOURAGING EVERYONE OLDER THAN SEVEN TO GET A VACCINATION, ESPECIALLY THOSE IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH NEWBORNS.WHOOPING COUGH IS ESPECIALLY DANGEROUS FOR INFANTS.NINE BABIES HAVE DIED IN CALIFORNIA AFTER COMING DOWN WITH THE ILLNESS THIS YEAR.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/18/10 REPORTED...

MORE THAN ONE MILLION PEOPLE IN CALIFORNIA ... WILL SOON SEE THEIR HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS GO UP COME THE FIRST OF OCTOBER.THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE CLEARED "AETNA" YESTERDAY TO RAISE RATES AN AVERAGE OF 19-PERCENT FOR 65-THOUSAND INDIVIDUAL POLICY HOLDERS.

IT WAS THE LAST OF FOUR MAJOR INSURERS ... TO BE REVIEWED BY THE DEPARTMENT.BY THE WAY, THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT ... LEAD BY STEVE POIZNER HAS APPROVED DOUBLE-DIGIT INCREASES FOR

ANTHEM BLUE CROSS, BLUE SHIELD OF CALIFORNIA AND HEALTH NET AS WELL.THOSE FOUR COMPANIES CONTROL 90-PERCENT OF THE STATE'S INDIVIDUAL POLICIES -- OR ABOUT A MILLION PEOPLE AETNA SAYS THE INCREASES ARE NECESSARY TO KEEP UP WITH RISING HEALTH CARE COSTS.DESPITE THE FACT THAT AETNA RECENTLY ANNOUNCED IT'S SECOND QUARTER PROFITS ROSE 42 PERCENT -- AND INCREASED IT'S FULL YEAR FORECAST FOR PROFITS AS WELL!

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/23/10 REPORTED...

MAJOR PROVISIONS OF THE NEW HEALTH CARE LAW KICKED IN TODAY. NEW REQUIREMENTS FOR HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANIES INCLUDE: FREE PREVENTIVE CARE...NO DISCRIMINATION AGAINST CHILDREN WITH PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS.. YOUNG PEOPLE CAN REMAIN ON PARENTS' INSURANCE UNTIL AGE 26. NO LIFETIME LIMITS ON COVERAGE, AND NO MORE DROPPING PEOPLE FROM COVERAGE WHEN THEY GET SICK, BUT SOME WARN ALL THESE IMPROVEMENTS... COME AT A STEEP PRICE. PATIENT ADVOCATES SAY THIS IS JUST THE BEGINING AND THAT THE REAL CHANGES WILL COME IN 2014, WHEN ALL AMERICANS WILL HAVE SOME FORM OF HEALTH INSURANCE.

NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL CONCERNS/SAFETY & SECURITY

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/01/10 REPORTED... THE CITY OF LAHORE, IN PAKISTAN, IS IN A STATE OF EMERGENCY TONIGHT. THIS IS VIDEO FROM JUST MOMENTS AFTER THREE BOMBS EXPLODED DURING A RELIGIOUS CEREMONY. OFFICIALS SAY THE ATTACK TARGETED SHI-ITE MUSLIMS MARCHING THRU THE STREETS.25 PEOPLE WERE KILLED, AT LEAST 150 OTHERS

IN RESPONSE, THE MARCHERS SET FIRE TO A POLICE STATION AND EMERGENCY VEHICLES.THE EXPLOSIONS APPEAR TO BE THE LATEST ATTACK BY SUNNI INSURGENTS AGAINST THE COUNTRY'S MINORITY SHI-ITE POPULATION.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/15/10 REPORTED...

THE WHITE HOUSE TODAY PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO PROVIDE TIGHTER OVERSIGHT OF AMERICA'S PIPELINES.. AND TO INCREASE FINES FOR SAFETY VIOLATIONS.IN A NEWS RELEASE, U-S TRANSPORTATION SECRETARY RAY LAHOOD CITED THE SAN BRUNO EXPLOSION WHILE UNVEILING THE 'STRENGTHENING PIPELINE SAFETY AND ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 2010. THE LEGISLATION INCREASES THE MAXIMUM FINE FOR VIOLATIONS INVOLVING DEATH, INJURY OR MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE FROM ONE-MILLION TO TWO-POINT-FIVE MILLION DOLLARS.IT ALSO AUTHORIZES AND FUNDS THE HIRING OF 40-MORE PIPELINE INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT WORKERS.AND IT SETS UP A PROCESS TO EXAMINE WHETHER TIGHTER SAFETY RULES THAT APPLY TO URBAN AREAS OR NEAR WATER SHOULD APPLY TO ALL PIPELINES

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/22/10 REPORTED...

MORE THAN 100-PEOPLE TOOK PART IN AN EMERGENCY DRILL AT S-F-O. THE DRILL IS A BEHIND-THE-SCENES EXERCISE. IT'S MEANT TO ENSURE S-F-O CAN RESPOND TO AN EMERGENCY AND COORDINATE THE RESPONSE BETWEEN SEVERAL DIFFERENT AGENCIES .. ALL WHILE MAINTAINING AIRPORT OPERATIONS. PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR'S DRILL BEGINS.. IN ABOUT A MONTH.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/22/10 REPORTED...

WITH MORE FACTORS IN PLAY, THE U-S GOVERNMENT SAYS IT'S HARDER TO TRACK AND BLOCK TERRORISTS. THREE TOP U-S SECURITY OFFICIALS SPOKE AT A HEARING BEFORE THE SENATE HOMELAND SECURITY COMMITTEE. THEY SAY THE THREAT FROM AL QAEDA IS BECOMING MORE COMPLICATED, PARTLY, BECAUSE OF THE INTERNET, WITH SUCH A VAST PLATFORM TO RECRUIT, OFFICIALS SAY AL OAEDA HAS INSPIRED A NUMBER OF TERRORIST GROUPS WORLD-WIDE, AND ESPECIALLY HERE AT HOME. THEY SAY AL QAEDA IS TARGETING AMERICANS OR WESTERNERS BECAUSE IT'S EASIER FOR THEM TO REMAIN UNDETECTED. AT LEAST 63 U-S CITIZENS HAVE BEEN CHARGED AND CONVICTED OF TERRORIST ACTS SINCE 2009.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/27/10 REPORTED...

THE FEDS ARE LOOKING FOR WAYS TO SPY ON CONVERSATIONS ON SOCIAL MEDIA AND SMARTPHONES..BUT THEY WON'T BE GETTING ANY HELP FROM THE COMPANY THAT MAKES THE BLACKBERRY.THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT IS CONSIDERING A STATUTE THAT WOULD MAKE IT EASIER FOR THEM TO INTERCEPT MESSAGES THROUGH SERVICES LIKE FACEBOOK, SKYPE AND BLACKBERRY. BUT RESEARCH IN MOTION -- THE MAKER OF THE BLACKBERRY -- SAYS IT CAN'T PROVIDE CORPORATE E-MAILS BECAUSE THE TEXT IS ENCRYPTED. IF FEDERAL OFFICIALS WANT THOSE MESSAGES DECIPHERED, COMPANIES THAT USE BLACKBERRY PHONES WILL HAVE TO HAND OVER THE ENCRYPTION KEYS TO THEIR E-MAILS.

NBC BAY AREA, THE BAY AREA TODAY 6:00PM-7:00PM 9/27/10 REPORTED...

THE COMBAT PHASE OF 'OPERATION DRAGON STRIKE' IS GETTING UNDERWAY IN AFGHANISTAN.IT'S PART OF NATO'S PUSH, TO CUT OFF A TALIBAN ESCAPE ROUTE, INTO NEIGHBORING PAKISTAN. COALITION TROOPS ARE WORKING WITH AFGAHN FORCES - IN THE TALIBAN STRONGHOLD AROUND KANDAHAR, IN THE SOUTH. MEANTIME - NATO HELICOPTERS IN EASTERN AFGHANISTAN ARE LAUNCHING AIRSTRIKES INTO PAKISTAN... KILLING MORE THAN 50 MILITANTS. AND PROMPTING PROTESTS FROM THE PAKISTANI GOVERNMENT. THE STRIKES FOLLOW AN ATTACK BY PAKISTANI-BASED INSURGENTS ON AN AFGHAN MILITARY OUTPOST, NEAR THE BORDER.